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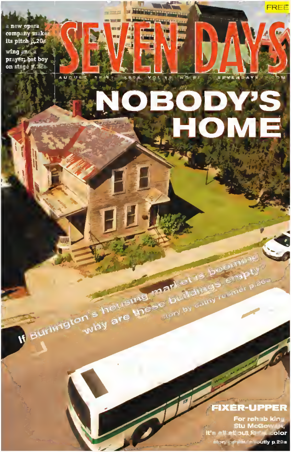

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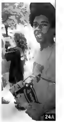

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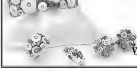

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RX FOR MS

I would like to thank Cathy Resmer for raising awareness about the disease multiple sclerosis in her July 20 story, "Brain Drain." I was particularly struck by her description of the available medicines. She states: "The drugs are all injected — some you shoot up once a week, some every day. They all have scary-sounding side effects and will almost certainly make you sick. They are also expensive: a year's supply can cost between $15,000 and $20,000. Plus, the treatment doesn't end after a year; it's maintenance therapy, a long-term commitment."

As the Statewide Organizer for the Vermont Marijuana Policy Project (VMPP), I would like to inform MS patients that there is another option. There is now a law in Vermont that allows patients with HIV/AIDS, cancer and multiple sclerosis to use marijuana for symptom relief. Many MS patients report that marijuana use has a profound effect on muscle spasms, tremors, balance, bladder control, speech and eyesight.

I applaud Ms. Resmer for sharing her personal story and for educating herself and her readers about this serious, debilitating illness. After all, we are our own best advocates, and I encourage anyone affected by MS to research the use of marijuana and read why so many MS patients use it for symptom relief. For a full explanation of Vermont's Marijuana Registry, you may log onto the state's website at http://www.dps.state.vt.us or feel free to log onto http://www.vmpp.org to find VMPP's website.

Nancy T. Lynch
MONTPELIER
Lynch is statewide organizer for the Vermont Marijuana Policy Project

MARKET NICHE

Earl Bell ["Taking Stock," July 20] misses the point of food co-ops if he thinks that he needs to dispel a belief about "good food and bad food." The notion, which took root in the early 1970s, that some classes of food are profoundly superior was one of the driving forces behind the formation of the co-op movement. As awareness grew that whole and organic foods were safer and simply better, nutritionally and ecologically, so did frustration that these foods were not available in profit-driven supermarkets.

The economics of natural foods is essentially the same today as it was back in the 1970s. The people who recognize the benefits of a natural food diet are willing to pay a premium for it. Those who do not will forever recoil at what they consider "inflated" prices at natural food groceries. Unfortunately, there is not a large amount of crossover between these two customer segments. Those in the former segment now find it difficult to shop at City Market. This group should be the co-op's most loyal and devoted customers. Instead, it finds too many high-margin gourmet variety foods and the selection of natural food staples limited by shelves full of Advil and Coca-Cola. Meanwhile, the co-op's closest competitor in the natural food space is experiencing robust growth, as evidenced by its recent expansion. On the other hand, for the conventional shopper, it seems that prices at the co-op are noncompetitive for mass-market items.

The co-op should decide what it is. No store can be everything to everyone.

Thomas McLeod
MONTPELIER

PUSHING THE DAYSIES

I wish to commend *Seven Days* for these annual Daysies awards. Giving readers the opportunity to thank businesses and others for the service they provide is a great way to get the public involved. I enjoy seeing the signs in the windows of businesses that have received an award. Not only is the listing of who's who a great

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way to conjure up business, but it also gives me the chance to see what others are thinking as well.

It's important that we thank our neighbors for the vital roles they play in our communities. We should not only continue to patronize the small businesses but also refer tourists to those places that are considered "nice table." It is this diversity of the area and the hometown feel that continues to make Vermont what it is.

Carol Ann Wonster
BURLINGTON

CHOICE SCHOOLS

Two weeks ago I read the article titled "Old North End Schools May Be Back on the Chopping Block" ["Local Matters," July 27] and could feel my heart sinking and disappointment entering my body and mind. Here it was in black and white: another negative article about Wheeler and Barnes.

Let's start talking about the facts that people don't know. For instance, the amazing literacy programs in each of those schools. Two hours every day is devoted to children's growth in literacy. Students who have never had a book in their hands prior to entering kindergarten are becoming readers, and ESL children are making amazing gains even when no one in their family can read or write in English. Progress is being made! These two schools have a lot of battles to fight but they are winning the fight against illiteracy. That is something to *applaud* and mention in the paper!

I understand present monetary concerns and the expense that goes into running neighborhood schools. However, if the last remaining option is closing down schools, is it truly fair that we only talk about closing the two low-income schools? If we really believe in social equality we would never take away both of these neighborhood schools. They are the heart and soul of the Old North End community. Budget prospects are not pretty, but *please* remember to look at all the wonderful teachers, students and families that dedicate their lives to making Wheeler and Barnes a passionate place to learn and grow!

Sarah Wolfe
BURLINGTON

REVIEW VIEW

I must, once again, express my distaste for Rick Kisonak's weekly film-review column. Its ever-enduring banality is incongruous with the rest of the content *Seven Days* typically offers. Truth be told, I stopped reading them months ago. Why would one want to waste one's time? Instead of another two-star "potshot" review garnished with insipid metaphoric sucker punches on movies anyone in their right mind would discern as not being worth the price of admission, why can't Kisonak go out and find us one that is? Rick, please find us that buried treasure

champion that needle in the haystack that lacks the big studio promotional push! These cutesy territorial musings week in and week out are beneath *Seven Days* and do a disservice to the quality writing that is forced to cohabitate alongside them. A wasted page in a newspaper of this quality is akin to a gaping sore. It's unfortunate to come across, and disgusting to gaze too long at.

Greg Champion
BURLINGTON

GRAVE CONSEQUENCES

I write this letter to the individual(s) that recently vandalized my father's gravesite in Winooski. My father was a good man, and my mother is a hard-working, blue-collar woman. She bought the remembrance candle that was on my father's grave because she wanted to honor my father's memory. You heartless S.O.B., what you stole may have cost my mother $60 that she barely could afford, especially with the looming loss of her job. Your despicable act broke her already-sad heart. I don't know what you were thinking. May God have mercy on your soul, but if you don't return the blue candleholder, and if I ever find you, your ass will be mine.

William Chandler
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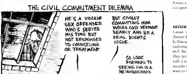
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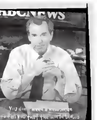

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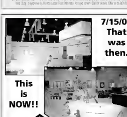

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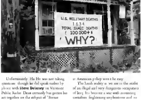
Dean Ducks the War

In October of 2002, Vermont's entire congressional delegation, Sens. **Pat Leahy** and **Jim Jeffords** and Rep. **Bernie Sanders**, voted against giving President **George W. Bush** the green light to invade Iraq. Unfortunately, they were in the minority.

But almost three years later, the American public is finally realizing our president lied about the threat posed by **Saddam Hussein**'s alleged WMDs and biological weapons. President Bush & Co. lied, we now all know, because the weapons did not exist!

Where are the antiwar marches? It's as if the graying baby boomer generation — **Howard Dean** included — suffers from memory loss when it comes to the Vietnam War of our youth. Did we not learn there is no more sickening feeling than realizing the president has sent our boys (and now girls, too) to fight, kill, die and be maimed for the sake of White House lies?

Speaking of sickening, the leader of the opposition party in the United States made a Burlington appearance Monday evening. Former Gov. Howard Dean addressed a lightly attended Wyndham Hotel fundraiser for the Democratic National Committee that Ho-Ho now chairs.



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Unfortunately, Ho-Ho was not taking questions, though he did speak earlier by phone with **Steve Delaney** on Vermont Public Radio. Dean certainly has gotten his act together on the subject of "Bernie Sanders for Senate."

"I think eventually we are going to endorse Bernie Sanders. Bernie Sanders votes like a Democrat," said Dean. "He's stood up for ordinary working people all over the country, not just in Vermont, and while he's not a Democrat, he's certainly pretty close to one. He's going to run a great campaign. I think he's going to be the winner."

Dean, however, backed off when VPR's Delaney asked him about gubernatorial hopeful **Scudder Parker**.

"Well, I don't get into Vermont politics very much. I'll certainly be supporting the Democratic nominee, if it's Scudder or whoever it might be. One thing I have tried to do is stay away from commenting on Vermont politics."

Really?

Ho-Ho was louder at the Wyndham, telling the crowd, "I know Scudder Parker would have signed that health care bill and we'd be on the way to universal health insurance in the state of Vermont!"

But we wouldn't be doing our job if we didn't note that Chairman Dean, who made the leap from success in Vermont to national fame by opposing the Iraq war, looked and sounded a little burned-out. He'd done a Texas swing over the weekend.

His speech was a rambling rehash of his best lines from the last three years all jumbled together. His timing and his focus were off, too. After all, we are at war, but the leader of the opposition party barely acknowledged it.

"We're not going to put up with this nonsense about 'We're fighting the war on terrorism in Iraq,'" Dean told the crowd. "We know how the terrorists got to Iraq. They got there after George Bush sent our folks there, and they weren't there before. We know that's a fact because the 9/11 Commission told us that was a fact. All we'd like is a little truth and honesty in government."

Then he abruptly changed the subject, talking about the need "to position ourselves as the party of change." With Dean as the opposition leader, however, "change" in American policy won't be easy.

The harsh reality is, we are in the midst of an illegal and very dangerous occupation of Iraq. It's become a war with mounting casualties, frightening implications and no end in sight.

When Howard Dean, the leader of the American opposition, can devote no more than 20 seconds to the Iraq War in a 20-minute speech to party faithful, we're in serious trouble, folks. Surely a genuine leader of the opposition would be leading the charge with a single loud cry: "Impeach Bush!"

Unfortunately, Ho-Ho didn't protest the Vietnam War either. He just found a way to beat the draft.

That thought inspired this imaginary secret memo from White House political spin champ **Karl Rove** to Howard Dean:

"Thanks, Howard, for not squeezing us on this Iraq War debacle. Boy, did we fuck this one up! I've even got Republicans blowing their lunch. As long as you and your Dems don't kick us while we're down,

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A-BOMBS

Activists Mark A-Bomb Anniversary — With Their Bodies

BY CATHY RESMER

BURLINGTON — Sixty years after the U.S. dropped atomic bombs on Japan, the world still lives with the threat of nuclear annihilation. That was the message peace activists conveyed in a series of vigils, lectures, films and other activities marking the anniversary of the bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki on August 6 and August 9, 1945. Organizers from the Peace and Justice Center, the Women's International League of Peace and Freedom, Pax Christi and the American Friends Service Committee also reminded Vermonters that while the bombings may have brought an end to the war, they cost more than 200,000 Japanese civilians their lives.

These spontaneous public murals serve as a visual reminder that thousands of people were vaporized instantly in the blasts.

A dozen or so people marked that loss by participating in the week's inaugural event, "The Shadow Project," on Friday. Pioneered by the Oregon chapter of Physicians for Social Responsibility, these spontaneous public murals — reproduced in 50 cities around the globe — serve as a visual reminder that thousands of people were vaporized instantly in the blasts. All that remained were their shadows burned onto the pavement.

At noon on Friday volunteers unrolled a 10-by 100-foot sheet of black plastic on a sidewalk in City Hall Park. They had planned to spread it out on Church Street in front of the Burlington Town Center, but two large trucks parked on the street blocked their path, said Emma Mulvaney-Stanak, director of the Vermont Livable Wage Campaign.

Mulvaney-Stanak was one of the small group of people who lay down on the plastic, limbs splayed randomly. Others — including Mulvaney-Stanak's twin sister Lluvia, director of Outright Vermont — traced their silhouettes with masking tape or white paint. Organizers hung the banner of body outlines from the roof of the Firehouse Gallery in time for the evening's First Friday Art Tour.

Morgan Kelner of Winooski described the display as "a way to comment on how tragic war is" — a timely sentiment. She also expressed concern that nuclear war is still a possibility. Iran, for example, has recently indicated that it may pursue atomic weapons, and the U.S. government has said it wants to begin manufacturing a particularly lethal form of plutonium in Idaho, presumably for weapons. Kelner hoped the Shadow Project might raise public awareness of this threat. "I think it will catch the eyes of a lot of people downtown," she said.

It did. Brittany Clough and Emily Finn, 16-year-olds from New Hampshire in town for the Burton Snowboard Summer Sale, were drawn to the spectacle. Clough wore an "I (heart) New York" shirt. "We were just playing Frisbee," she said, "and we saw all the people."

Clough said she knew about Hiroshima and Nagasaki, but hadn't realized that this was the 60th anniversary of the bombings. After hearing about the people who had been vaporized, she asked the organizers for some tape and proceeded to lie down while Finn traced the outline of her body.

Neither girl seemed to grasp the nuances of the antiwar message or fear any impending doom. When asked what motivated them to take part, Clough said, "It's for a good cause, what happened and stuff." Responded Finn, "We thought it sounded cool."

Others who wandered over seemed more in tune with the activists. Judith Jerome, on her lunch break from her job at the Fletcher Free Library, said she approved of the display. "It shouldn't be forgotten," she said. "I admire the people who do this." ⑦

AMERICAN APPAREL

Socially Responsible Clothing in Soft-Core Porn?

BY KEN PICARD

BURLINGTON — American Apparel's marketing tactics include amateur snapshots of barely legal girls in bras and panties, splayed out on couches and kneeling on all fours. A company model is also a popular porn star voted best "orgasmic analist" by *Adult Video News* two years running. And company founder and CEO Dov Charney is a self-proclaimed "hustler" who admits he's had sex with his employees in the workplace and once masturbated for a reporter during an interview — a consensual act, he claims.

Welcome to Burlington's newest "socially responsible" retailer, which opens August 12 at 145 Cherry Street, formerly the site of The B Side.

"The funny thing about our marketing is that people think it's this super planned-out thing," says Alexandra Spunt of American Apparel's brand management team. "In truth, it's very fly-by-the-seat-of-our-pants. And, it's very un-corporate."

But before anti-pornography groups begin circulating petitions and organizing demonstrations outside the new store, they might consider how the company treats its employees. The average garment worker at American Apparel's downtown Los Angeles facility earns more than $13 per hour, Spunt notes; an experienced sewer can make $18 per hour — among the highest wages in the U.S. garment industry.

The company also subsidizes bus passes for its employees. When L.A.'s bus drivers went on strike, American Apparel launched a bicycle-lending program for its staff, complete with free helmets, locks and monthly bike maintenance.

American Apparel offers free English lessons to its workers, many of whom are Latino. Employees pay just $6 per week for health insurance and can add a child to their plan for as little as $1 more. American Apparel's operations are all housed under one roof — a 800,000-square-foot facility that, the company's website boasts, is the largest and most modern garment factory in the United States. It's naturally lit and climate-controlled and employs five certified massage therapists who work on employees free of charge.

In fact, this privately held manufacturer markets its line of no-logo clothing — T-shirts, sweats, bathing suits, lingerie and other casual wear — as "sweatshop-free" and 100 percent made in the U.S.A.

This is who we are, and raw sexuality is a part of it.

ALEXANDRA SPUNT, AMERICAN APPAREL

By most measures, the sales pitch is working. According to Spunt, American Apparel has doubled its revenues every year for the last four; this year the company expects to earn $240 million. American Apparel opened its first retail outlet in 2003; the Burlington store is the company's 55th worldwide.

Recently, American Apparel suffered some bad press when the 36-year-old Charney, a Montréal native, was hit with two sexual harassment suits filed by three former employees. The women all claim they endured sexual misconduct in a hostile work environment.

Charney himself was unavailable to comment on the lawsuits and Spunt can't discuss their specifics, either. She does say, however, that the charges are "completely false" and "everybody here takes [them] with a grain of salt because we knew the accusers."

Spunt acknowledges that her workplace can be sexually charged at times, but says that people know that going in. "This is who we are, and raw sexuality is a part of it," Spunt says. "We're not using girls with fake boobs to sell a car. We're using real girls who are part of our demographic, maybe a 22-year-old whose been [photographed] by her friends. If she has a pimple, you see the pimple."

But not everyone is buying American Apparel's socially responsible label. For example, union activists with UNITE HERE, which represents apparel and textile workers throughout North America, complain that in September 2003 the company used illegal union-busting tactics to stop workers from organizing. An employee filed a grievance with the National Labor Relations Board, which was later settled. American Apparel is still union free.

Others aren't thrilled with the harassment allegations or the over-the-top sexual marketing. For example, the Burlington Peace and Justice Store, which purchased T-shirts from American Apparel two years ago, has indicated that, next time, it will buy its shirts from another source.

Others complain that the anti-sweatshop movement has been slow to create standards for the "sweatshop-free" label. Adam Neiman, CEO of Bienestar International, which manufactures "No Sweat" clothing — a direct competitor of American Apparel — says competition is a good thing in the niche market of socially responsible clothing. However, he doesn't believe American Apparel lives up to its reputation. "Honestly," says Neiman, "Dov [Charney] has always been more interested in ladies' underwear than in social justice." ⑦

BREW-HA-HA ON ROUTE 7

It's a sign of the times when a passing reference to heaven and beer foments righteous indignation from the self-appointed arbiters of decency. Recently, the Magic Hat Brewing Company in South Burlington began fielding complaints from drivers on Shelburne Road who don't appreciate the brewery's sense of humor about construction delays on Route 7.

Like other local businesses trying to make the best of a bad situation, Magic Hat erected a temporary sign last month directing motorists to their place of business. It reads, "Life not heaven on Route 7? Beer here now!" The company logo and an arrow point motorists to the brewery on Bartlett Bay Road. Reportedly, Magic Hat's walk-in traffic had tanked after construction crews took down road signs and bottom markers. Magic Hat's temporary sign was cleared beforehand by the Vermont Agency of Transportation, which is overseeing the $32 million road-widening project.

Nevertheless, some people are reading more into the sign than what was originally intended. According to Magic Hat's marketing department, one woman complained that it "sent the wrong message" to her daughter because it teaches children that drinking alcohol can solve their problems. Another warned that "God would be very unhappy" with Magic Hat employees. Yet another complained that the sign promotes drunk driving, alcoholism and drug addiction.

Cheyenne Williams, who manages Magic Hat's "Artifactory," can't understand why the message — which also appears underneath some Magic Hat bottle caps — rubs some folks the wrong way. "We're not really sure why," she admits. "It usually goes back to God somehow."

But after one man complained to Williams that he was "personally offended" by the sign, she pointed out to him the text of the Sirloin Saloon's sign. "I said, 'Well, as a vegetarian, I'm personally offended by "Brake for steak," but it is their right,'" she says. "They are a steakhouse. And we make beer!" ⑦

KEN PICARD

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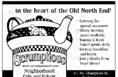
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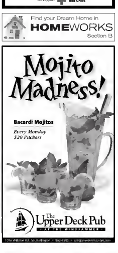
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BY ROLAND SWEET

ITEMS FROM EVERY CORNER OF THE GLOBE

ODD, STRANGE, CURIOUS AND WEIRD BUT TRUE NEWS

Curses, Foiled Again Police in Bismarck, N.D., reported that William Jones, 38, was evicted from his room at the Bismarck Motor Hotel for owing back rent but returned several hours later and tried to break into the building through a window to a different room. He got stuck in the window, however, attracting the attention of witnesses, who alerted the authorities.

40 Years in the Making Surviving Black Panthers in California have turned their militant slogan "Burn, Baby, Burn" into the name of a hot sauce. "We're taking those '60s slogans and we're commodifying them," said original Panther David Hilliard, now executive director of the Huey P. Newton Foundation, who concocted the recipe for Burn Baby Burn, A Taste of the Sixties Revolutionary Hot Sauce with musician Al Green. "It was a catchy phrase," explained Newton's widow and foundation co-founder Fredrika Newton, adding, "I sure didn't want it to be a call to burn anything other than our taste buds." The Oakland-based nonprofit foundation also plans to produce a line of clothing to commemorate the Black Panthers' 40th anniversary.

Adding Insult to Injury After Lisa King, 33, tried but failed to hang herself, police in New Castle County, Del., charged her with six counts of endangering the welfare of a child because she tied the rope around her neck in front of her children and three other children from the neighborhood.

Aviation Follies A 14-year-old boy who had never flown a plane stole one, took off on a 30-minute joyride and landed it twice at night. Police in Fort Payne, Ala., reported that the boy found the key to an unlocked single-engine Cessna, started it and taxied around the airport. "The next thing he knew, he was in the air," Police Chief David Walker said. He was arrested after landing too hard the second time, collapsing the landing gear and digging the propeller into a road beside the airport but suffering only minor injuries.

• Federal authorities arrested 40 pilots after investigators found out that they were claiming to be fit to fly while collecting Social Security disability payments for such debilitating illnesses as heart conditions, drug and alcohol addiction, bipolar disorder and schizophrenia. At least a dozen of them had commercial or airline transport licenses. "You can't really fly a plane," said federal prosecutor Marlon Cobar in Fresno, Calif., "if you're telling the Social Security Administration you have a disabling back condition or bipolar disorder."

Occupational Hazard Circus daredevil Todd Christian, 26, who in February became Todd the Human Cannonball, was fired in June because he is afraid of flying. His act consists of his being shot 40 feet above the circus ring at 60 mph. When he injured his knee performing the stunt, his employers, the Cottle and Austen Circus, decided that for his own safety he should receive specialist training at a space center in Brazil. Christian refused to go. "I know it sounds silly because I'm a human cannonball, but I don't like long flights," he said, explaining, "I start to panic." The British circus replaced Christian with Diego Zeman, a Brazilian performer known as Diego the Human Rocket. "I feel sorry for Todd," said Zeman, who has already taken the specialist training, "but being a human cannonball is what I have always dreamed of doing."

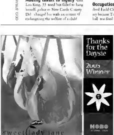
Walk on the Wild Side A study of 640 taxi and bus drivers by San Marcos University in Lima, Peru, found that 40 percent of them suffered from psychological problems and showed psychopathic tendencies, including antisocial behavior. The drivers said that they wouldn't feel guilty injuring or running over a pedestrian.

Seemed Like a Good Idea at the Time When a truck hauling hay caught fire on an interstate highway east of Columbus, Ohio, the driver began swerving, figuring the wind caused by the erratic movement would blow out the fire. Instead, it caused the burning hay to fall off the truck, igniting grass fires along a six-mile stretch of the highway.

Homeland Insecurity When U.S. customs agents stopped Gregory Despres, 22, at a border crossing into Calais, Maine, he was carrying a homemade sword, a hatchet, a knife, brass knuckles and a chain saw with what looked like blood on it. They confiscated the weapons and fingerprinted him but let him into the United States. "Nobody asked us to detain him," Bill Anthony of U.S. Customs and Border Protection said after agents learned that authorities in New Brunswick suspected Despres of stabbing one neighbor to death and decapitating another before fleeing Canada. "Being bizarre is not a reason to keep somebody out of this country or lock them up."

Vehicular Opportunities British entrepreneur Colin Dowse introduced a spray-on mud product designed to give sport utility vehicles an off-road look. "It started out as a pub joke about these people who live in London and drive 4-by-4s, but who never go to the country," Dowse explained. His Spray-on mud, made with authentic mud from Shropshire, sells for $20 a bottle. Officials noted that some customers are using the mud to obscure their license plates so speed cameras can't read them.

• Germany's Thorsten Jahn has started selling the exhaust fumes of Communist East Germany's once-ubiquitous Trabant automobiles for $4.81 a can. A friend of his produced 1,800 cans of Trabi exhaust by holding pieces of cotton to the exhaust pipe of his Trabant to filter out the toxic particles and leave the noxious but nostalgic smell. "The smell is something very special and scarce nowadays," Jahn said. "I wanted to preserve the past in an original way."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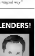
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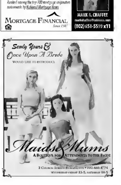
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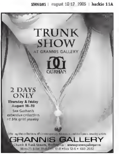

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A CABBIE'S REAR VIEW

Getting to Higher Ground

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The Friday night downtown street scene was in high gear when a regular customer tapped on my window and climbed into the front seat beside me.

"Man oh man, Jernigan," he said, laboriously enunciating each word as if he were Hamlet and the taxi Elsinore Castle. "This friggin' town is gonna drive me nuts."

For a guy who professes to want nothing more from life than "some goddamn peace and quiet," Owen has chosen the exact wrong place to live: an apartment above a downtown bar. I mean — if you're trying to avoid caribou, why move to Alaska?

Even before the alcohol abuse begins to kill the body, it lays claim to the spirit. To me, that's the real tragedy, more so than the cirrhotic liver or morning shakes.

He does enjoy good music, however, and works posting flyers for a number of local clubs. He calls it work, in any event, though I doubt he receives anything resembling a paycheck for his labors. But he does get free admission to the shows, and all the bar food he can eat. Not bad for a guy who's spent his entire adult life on full disability, with enough ailments, real and imagined, to fill a first-year medical school curriculum.

"Where we going tonight, Owen?" I asked.

"Higher Ground, brother," he said. "The Derek Trucks Band's on tonight. He can wail, this young guitarist. He also plays with the Allman Brothers, so it don't get any better than that."

Owen is kind of gnomish in appearance, short and curled in on himself. I don't know if it's a congenital muscular condition or just incredibly bad posture. Somehow, despite the arduous hand he's been dealt, he manages to bring a certain bonhomie to the table, even when he's bitching about life, which is most of the time. Even at his worst, there's a wry smile behind the bellyaching and — if you're paying close attention — a subtle twinkle in his deep-set, brown eyes.

With the windows closed against the heat and some gentle air conditioning humming in the background, an unexpected feeling of intimacy enveloped us as we put downtown in the rear-view mirror and began ascending the Main Street hill.

"Have you run into Grant lately?" Owen asked quietly.

"Nope. I don't think I've driven Grant, or even seen him, really since last winter."

"Oh, jeez — that means he's probably still drinking."

Owen dropped his head into his cupped hands and emitted a plaintive sound somewhere between a wheeze and a moan. "I just don't know what's wrong with the guy," he continued. "He had a great job, with benefits and everything. I just don't get it — how does a person do this to himself?"

For years, Owen had shared his living quarters with his friend, Grant, who worked in maintenance at the Radisson Hotel. Most every day, after work hours, you could find Grant drinking downstairs at the bar beneath their apartment, a solitary figure ensconced in his own world. You got the sense that, outside of Owen, the guy didn't socialize with another living being.

Apparently, at some point the drinking escalated, and Grant lost his job and moved out. Owen, who receives Section 8 housing assistance, would have carried the rent indefinitely for his old friend, so money wasn't the issue. Maybe Grant could no longer bear to maintain even this single human connection. Even before the alcohol abuse begins to kill the body, it lays claim to the spirit. To me, that's the real tragedy, more so than the cirrhotic liver or morning shakes.

"Hey, take a look at that," I said, pointing out an old yellow house on the south side of Main Street. "That's the historic building that UVM jacked up and moved across the road a couple weeks ago. I read where they had to actually close down the street for a couple hours to wheel it across. Isn't that something, man?"

I was employing the age-old distraction technique so effective with toddlers. Truth be told, I think I was using it as much on myself as on Owen. I desperately wanted to get off the topic of Grant, which was depressing to me and nearly unbearable for Owen, though he always seemed to go there.

"Yeah," Owen replied, almost inaudibly, "it's really something."

We arrived at the nightclub and pulled to a stop at the front entrance. A small crowd was milling about, a scruffy collection of old-time and modern hippie types. As he paid the fare, Owen said, "God almighty, my friggin' back is acting up again."

"Well, that's not good," I replied, relieved to be back on the solid, less emotional ground of Owen's decrepit physical condition. "Is that chiropractor you told me about bringing any relief?"

"He's helping some, I guess. But you know what'll do me the most good?"

"What's that, Owen?"

"Derek Trucks, man," he said, breaking into a wide smile. "Just give me a dose of that righteous Southern rock, and my back'll clear right up."

"Right on," I said, smiling at his resiliency. "I know just what you're talking about."

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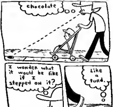
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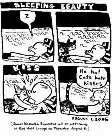
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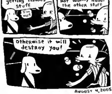
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A friend and I have a running disagreement on which type of natural disaster causes the most deaths and destruction in the U.S. and worldwide — hurricanes, tornadoes, earthquakes, wildfires, floods, etc. In a given year any one of them could cause massive destruction (like December's tragic tsunami disaster), but how about on average, and how has that changed over time (for example, floods in 1900 vs. tornadoes now)?

Andy B., via email

No offense, Andy, but you've got a pretty narrow idea of what constitutes a natural disaster — although I'll grant you it's one that's widely shared. The *World Almanac*, for example, has entries for hurricanes, tornadoes, floods, earthquakes, and the like, but omits famines and epidemics, which generally are of natural origin, kill more people, and alter history to a substantially greater extent. One may argue that a natural disaster is a brief, impersonal convulsion in which humans are mere roadkill, whereas famines and epidemics take place over a longer period of time and human involvement is more central. But this seems to me an idle distinction that serves chiefly to eliminate the most shocking cases. Since the topic is dismayingly large, we'll take it in chunks.

Worst disasters. The closest thing I've discovered to a comprehensive disaster listing is EM-DAT, the Emergency Events Database maintained by the Centre for Research on the Epidemiology of Disasters (CRED) under UN auspices. EM-DAT lists 9620 natural disasters since 1900, including famines and epidemics, but even it has conspicuous omissions, a matter I'll return to. As it is, of the 20 deadliest disasters, eight are droughts, seven are epidemics, two are famines (presumably of the nondrought variety), and the remaining three are floods. The lowest death toll of any of these catastrophes was 393,000. For comparison, the deadliest tornado I ever heard of killed 695 people in Missouri, Illinois, and Indiana in 1925.

Pestilence. EM-DAT lists incidents by country and so falls down when it comes to reporting pandemics, which cross national borders and span years or decades. It has no comprehensive entries for the most destructive disease outbreaks of modern times, namely the influenza epidemic of 1918-19, which killed 20 million by conservative estimate and possibly 50 million, and the AIDS epidemic, which has killed 20 million to date. Also not fully reflected, in part because it began too early, is the plague epidemic that started in China in 1894 and killed 10 million over the subsequent 20 years.

Famine. Famine is also problematic. Prior to 1900, famines were principally of natural origin, the prototypical example being the Irish potato famine of 1846-49, which was caused by crop failure due to blight and led to a million deaths and mass emigration, emptying Ireland to a degree from which it has never recovered. In the 20th century, in contrast, many of the most devastating famines were primarily a consequence not of natural forces but foolish or homicidal government policy. In the former category we have the Chinese famine of 1959-62, during which 20 million died as a result of the ill-conceived but not fundamentally malevolent Great Leap Forward; in the latter, the Soviet famine of 1932-34, in which Stalin's campaign to destroy the prosperous kulak peasant class led to the deaths of 6 to 9 million in Ukraine and the north Caucasus. Still, many "natural" famines also occurred, such as the Ethiopian famine of 1984-85, in which nearly a million died following a drought.

Given the limitations of the data, I hesitate to draw conclusions about disaster trends, averages, etc. A CRED chart purports to show that the average annual disaster death toll was high in the first half of the 20th century, much lower in the second half, and spiked up again after 2000.

Other catastrophes. Turning now to natural disasters in the dramatic sense of the term, we note that (a) the most devastating incidents usually occur in Asia, (b) the big killers are earthquakes and floods (including tsunamis and tidal waves), and (c) mortality has not diminished noticeably over time. Some (I don't say all) disasters since 1900 in which 100,000 or more died: 1911, Chang Jiang (Yangtze) basin, China, flood, 100,000; 1920, Gansu, China, earthquake, 200,000; 1923, Yokohama, Japan, earthquake, 143,000; 1927, Xining, China, earthquake, 200,000; 1931, Huang He (Yellow River) basin, China, flood, 3.7 million; 1935, China, flood, 142,000; 1939, China, flood, 500,000; 1948, Ashgabat, Turkmenistan, USSR, earthquake, 110,000; 1959, China, flood, 2 million; 1970, Bangladesh, cyclone-driven tidal wave, 300,000; 1971, Hanoi, North Vietnam, flood, 100,000; 1976, Tangshan, China, earthquake, 255,000 (official; estimated actual up to 655,000); 1991, Bangladesh, cyclone, 139,000; 2004, southeast Asia, tsunami, 280,931.

For comparison, the deadliest short-term disaster in U.S. history I could turn up was the loss of 6000 lives in the Galveston, Texas, hurricane of 1900. How lucky the country where the worst that happens to most disaster victims is they lose the house.

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PASCAL SPENGEMANN

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Pascal Spengemann was chatting with a visitor one recent afternoon when *New York Times* art critic Roberta Smith strolled into the gallery he co-owns in Manhattan's Chelsea section. Smith wanted to know when the gallery would be opening for its fall season. This was about a week after another *Times* art critic had written a lengthy rave about a Taxter & Spengemann show of paintings by former Vermonter Max Schumann.

As this flutter of interest by elite arbiters might suggest, Spengemann has made a successful transition from curator of Burlington's Firehouse Gallery to gallery owner in the epicenter of the art world. But he hasn't grown pretentious in the process.

"I see no difference in Pascal between how he was here and how he is in New York," says Burlington City Arts director Doreen Kraft, who stopped by Taxter & Spengemann two weeks ago. "That's a real testament to his integrity."

Spengemann, 33, makes a point of talking with everyone who visits his West 22nd Street gallery, just as he did throughout his eight years at the Church Street venue. He describes Taxter & Spengemann as "a good-natured space" that, in two years of existence, has become famous for its hip opening parties. Attracted in part by the free Budweiser the owners serve, art students cram the gallery's confines and, together with emerging art stars and millionaire collectors, spill out onto the stoop of the slightly scruffy brick townhouse.

"There's an aspect of it being kind of a 'scene,'" Spengemann says of the openings he orchestrates along with his 28-year-old gallery partner, Kelly Taxter. "But it's not built around any kind of exclusivity," he adds. "We want everyone to feel they can come to our shows and be comfortable."

Spengemann became co-proprietor of the Chelsea hot spot partly out of happenstance. He had moved to Burlington from New Hampshire in 1995 at the suggestion of longtime friend Lars Fisk, a graduate of the University of Vermont. A native Californian, Spengemann lived in the Hanover area after his father became a professor of American literature at Dartmouth College. His mother makes theater costumes for the school's Hopkins Center.

Spengemann says he loved living in Vermont and working at the Firehouse. "When I turned 30, I decided I could happily spend the rest of my life in Burlington," he recalls. In addition to enjoying "the huge amount of freedom" he had in running the Firehouse Gallery, Spengemann was playing drums with local bands and hanging out with a large group of friends.

For him, the Queen City had proven to be an open-door and open-minded sort of place. Not long after getting a job as a tour guide on the South End Art Hop, Spengemann found himself at meetings at City Hall "where people were listening to what I was saying. I was able to

TAXTER & SPENGEMANN GALLERY

become part of the cultural life of the city in a pretty short time."

Some ex-owners of failed local galleries might disagree, but Spengemann regards Burlington as a favorable place for artists to create and show their work. "Burlington has a reputation of saying yes to people's ideas, and that to me is the definition of a good art town," he says.

The audience for new painting and sculpture is just as sophisticated in Burlington as in New York, he finds. It may have taken a few years for discerning tastes to develop among regular Firehouse art viewers, Spengemann says, but he notes that his own aesthetic judgments were maturing in tandem with those of the gallery's patrons.

There are some big differences, of course, between the Chelsea and Burlington art scenes. "One thing is that the stakes are much higher in New York," Spengemann observes. "But," he quickly adds, "the stakes can be pretty high at the Firehouse, too, if you're an ambitious young artist having a first show."

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PASCAL SPENGEMANN

Spengemann decided to take his chances in Chelsea after meeting Taxter in 2003 while both were studying for graduate curatorial degrees at Bard College. Taxter had worked at Luhring Augustine, one of New York's big-name galleries, and was determined to pursue an independent career with the help of dealers and collectors she had come to know. In 2003, she and Spengemann began prowling Manhattan for affordable space to open a gallery of their own.

"We saw some former massage parlors on the outskirts of Chinatown that seemed potentially OK, but the rents were ridiculous," Spengemann relates. Eventually, Taxter was able to locate a small apartment in Chelsea for a not completely outlandish price, and with a few extra square feet that might be made to function as a gallery. An early show at this initial incarnation of Taxter & Spengemann was favorably reviewed by the *Village Voice*, which described the gallery as "not much bigger than a Buick."

It was Fisk who persuaded the neophyte dealer to put his and Taxter's names on the gallery. "We had played around with some coy possibilities of what to call it," Spengemann says. "But Lars said to me when we were eating lunch at the Four Corners of the Earth Deli on Pine Street that the most courageous thing to do was to use our names. That meant we would have to stand behind whatever we show."

Sales of several works in the gallery's first year enabled the owners to buy a computer, photocopier and fax machine, and to move directly across the street to a larger space that serves as Taxter & Spengemann's current home. The 800-square-foot former photo studio rents for $5500 a month.

One of the first shows in the new location was called "Mystery Achievement." This [illegible] title was chosen in part, Spengemann explains, because the pieces in the show were "kind of surreal and mysterious." The two curators also intended the title to refer to their own unexpected and, Spengemann insists, somewhat inexplicable achievements.

But there's nothing mysterious about the gallery's success. The partners' tastes are alike, according to Spengemann, whom Kraft says has "an exceptionally good eye." The slim, blond, blue-eyed schmoozer is also "a fiercely intelligent person who is able to translate his ideas about art and life, no matter how complex they are, to just about anyone," Kraft adds. "Pascal has a great ability to create relationships with artists."

Their affability and capability have enabled Taxter and Spengemann to recruit some much-buzzed-about young talents to exhibit. Five of the 17 artists affiliated with their gallery are recent graduates of UCLA, which has been turning out some particularly hot properties lately.

In addition to Schumann and Fisk, the gallery's stable includes two other artists with Vermont connections: New Yorkers Cora Hewitt and Scott Lenhardt, both formerly of Burlington. This conduit to Chelsea may offer valuable opportunities for collaboration with the Firehouse, Kraft suggests. "One part of what the Firehouse does is to sell art," she notes. "And we want to explore with Pascal what that might mean in a broader context." ⑦

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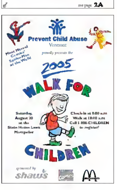

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Funny Girl

Josie Leavitt is almost everything an audience could want in a stand-up comedian. She meets the first criteria: She's funny. At 40, she has a face made attractive more by her personality and sense of humor than genetics. The grey flecks in her shoulder-length, dark brown hair and her robust torso give her an appearance that's unthreatening, quirky and ultimately inviting. Leavitt talks to her audience as if she's chatting with a neighbor over a backyard fence. Her material runs the gamut from a joke about her mother getting hit on by another woman in a sauna to how we really feel when we ask, "How are you?"

Leavitt worked as a comic in clubs in New York City, including the famous Caroline's, and colleges in the Northeast for about four years. She moved to Vermont in 1996 to open Flying Pig Bookstore with Elizabeth Bluemle, her partner in life and business. Since moving to Charlotte, Leavitt also has served as one of the town's planning commissioners, and on Charlotte Rescue, where she's been chief for just over a year.

Leavitt recently taught a six-week stand-up comedy class to burgeoning female comedians at the Flynn Center in Burlington. That class, and performances Leavitt did at Higher Ground, inspired her latest brainchild, a monthly comedy night at the FlynnSpace. The series begins Tuesday, August 16.

NAME **Josie Levitt**
JOB **Stand-up Comic and Owner, Flying Pig Bookstore**
LOCATION **Charlotte**

IMAGE **Jordan Silverman**

SEVEN DAYS: Most Vermonters have two jobs, but owning a bookstore and being a stand-up comedian is an interesting combination. Do you have any bookseller jokes?

JOSIE LEAVITT: It's not really jokes, it's more what customers say. Like this woman wanted a book. She's like, "It's called *Jesus Feet*." I said, "Are you sure?" It was actually called *Walking the Bible*. It's more trying to decipher what customers are sure the title is and what the title *actually* is. This year we had a woman who ... It was Christmastime. The store was packed. She bought her books. She left. She comes back in three minutes later and says, "Did you hear that?" Everyone is like, "No." She says, "Good. I just hit the building."

SD: So why did you move to Vermont?

JL: Cause we got tired of living in New York. I'd lived in New York as a kid until I was 8, and then we moved to Long Island, and then I went to Columbus. I just stayed on the Upper West Side. You know New York at that point ... it was the early '90s. I'd lived there a long time and I found myself increasingly less patient with the homeless and instead of wanting to help them, I would want them to just get out the way. And that's not how I wanted to be.

We came to Vermont on a long weekend and just loved it and thought well let's do some investigating. And we just looked at some houses. Well, six weeks later we bought this house. We don't agonize over decisions. Either we don't make them at all or we make them very quickly.

SD: What was the biggest gig you've ever done? Did you make thousands of dollars?

JL: I made a couple thousand in Columbus [Ohio] in this guy bar. It was a big club and I was the headliner and I had an hour. So that was really fun. Then I did a couple college shows. One was at Vassar, a couple at the University of Illinois. The Caroline's gig was probably the most crowded I'd done in New York. It was a real Caroline's show, not a pre-show. It was their gay-pride show. I was on with some pretty big names.

SD: How can a person who has the temperament to do stand-up comedy also serve on a planning commission? It seems like one moves very fast and the other moves v-e-r-y slowly.

JL: Planning and I ... it was boring. Ninety percent of planning is just dull. There were a couple of guys on the commission who were very, very funny, so I would go for the laughs. And we would all go for the laughs in the meeting. It was also a good way to diffuse tension in a meeting. There can be a lot of tense issues if someone feels like they are not going to be allowed to build their house where they want to build their house. I would come home from meetings and say to Elizabeth, "Oh, I got the best laugh."

SD: How did you become a planning commissioner?

JL: It came out of being a facilitator at a community-planning event. I was invited to apply for a spot on the planning commission.

SD: And how about Charlotte Rescue?

JL: I loved medicine but didn't want to go to medical school because of chemistry. I took a first responder class in 2001 and an EMT class in winter 2002. What I liked was learning about how to make something immediately better.

SD: Do you get to drive super-fast on Route 7 in an ambulance?

JL: No one drives super fast up Route 7 anymore.

SD: Do you think being funny can be taught?

JL: I think someone can be taught to think about things differently, to think like a comic in terms of set-up and punch line. Then they can take a story and make it funnier because they've learned to cut out the parts that don't move the story along.

SD: How do you teach people to be funny?

JL: I teach them that everything is funny if they look at it in terms of their own struggle with it. The main thing I try to do is get people to see that they are funny to begin with. I really work on presentation and the right way to write a good, solid joke.

SD: Do you have a favorite comic?

JL: I grew up listening to Richard Pryor tapes, and George Carlin. I always used to stay up and watch Johnny Carson. Now I have patience for Robin Williams, although he can be a little too on-edge for me. I love Ellen DeGeneres, Paula Poundstone and Margaret Cho. I'll watch just about anybody.

SD: Is the show at the Flynn going to be a family show?

JL: No. Most comics don't want to do family shows because it is too constraining. To have a bunch of 10-year-olds in there ... the parents are worried about what you're going to talk about. You don't have to worry about swearing. Comedy isn't really for 10-year-olds.

SD: Except, how old were you the first time you listened to Richard Pryor?

JL: Well, that was me. ⑦

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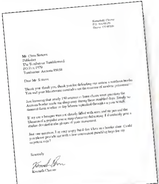

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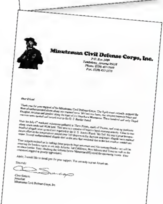

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Keeping Score — Unlike Dr. Dean, Burlington novelist **Marc Estrin** is paying attention to the Iraq War and its toll. He recently started hoisting a blanket-size banner on the front porch of his Peru Street home in the Old North End, marking the war's death toll to date.

"We find that the traffic is slow enough on Peru Street for people to be able to slow down and even stop to look at the sign," says Estrin. "We've always regretted the high level of cut-through traffic on Peru, now we value it."

Reality — what a concept.

On Monday an unknown writer had scribbled on the banner: "Don't like it? Move to Iraq."

Yes. Now the juices are flowing.

Clavelle's Future — Mayor **Peter Clavelle**, the Progressive who became a Democrat, told us this week he'll announce his political plans shortly after Labor Day. Should he decide not to seek an eighth term as mayor of one of America's most livable cities, there's no shortage of folks eager to replace him.

In fact, "Inside Track" has learned that one of those folks, who already declared his candidacy in this column last March, has had a little private meeting with the mayor and is now singing in a slightly different key.

Democratic State Rep. **John Tracy** angered a few Ds with what they say was a "poorly timed" and "overly ambitious" announcement of his mayoral candidacy. Clavelle is, after all, a member of the same party as Tracy. Mayor Moose was the Democratic candidate for governor last year. He also demonstrated extraordinary loyalty by endorsing Democratic legislative candidates over Progressives. Clavelle fans saw Tracy's expression of mayoral desire as being in very bad taste.

This week Tracy has toned down his rhetoric. He confirmed meeting with Clavelle to air things out. Suddenly, his mayoral bid doesn't sound like the lock it once was.

"My intention in running for mayor remains very strong," said Tracy. "I also respect what Peter has done."

John John, who's on the front lines of the Democrat Party health-care-reform drive at the Statehouse, said he wants to give Mayor Moose "all the time and space he needs" to make a decision on his future.

"His decision will be a factor in my decision," added Tracy.

Does that mean John John will not run if Clavelle does?

We don't know, because Rep. Tracy declined further comment.

Sherwood Forest Tale? — Longtime Champlain College Trustee **Terry F. Allen**, 65, of Ferrisburgh is the target of a Securities and Exchange Commission investigation. A complaint filed by the SEC claims the Burlington area business whiz and philanthropist fraudulently used his "Terry's Tips" options-trading website to lure in suckers who then got cleaned out (that's http://www.terrystips.com if you want to check it out).

Allen allegedly violated securities-fraud statutes by using "false and misleading performance projections" to convince "hundreds of clients" to enroll in his "auto-trading" program. According to the complaint, Allen had "approximately 1200 clients participating," with assets of $14 million. The SEC also says he should register as an investment adviser.

Allen's website defines "auto-trade" as "a mechanism whereby an investor enters into an agreement with his broker authorizing the broker to make trades in the investor's account."

"In and of itself," said SEC Attorney **Karen Martinez**, "auto-trading is not illegal. What's illegal," she said, are "misleading performance projections that claim clients 'make a 100 percent return.'"

According to the SEC complaint, clients who subscribed "did not achieve the advertised returns. Instead, the clients lost substantial amounts of money."

In response, Allen's Burlington attorney **Steven Kantor** filed a memorandum this week seeking dismissal of the complaint.

"This case," he writes, "is an overreaching attempt by the government to impose a regulatory scheme that would undermine freedom of speech and press." The SEC "is seeking to treat the publication of impersonal financial advice, which is speech that is protected by the First Amendment, as a regulated activity to be licensed and controlled by the government."

On the Terry's Tips website, Allen acknowledges the SEC action and states, "We are vigorously defending this suit."

Interesting, eh?

It gets more interesting. That's because Allen, a behind-the-scenes kind of guy, is reputed to be quite generous. Every year since 1998, he's given 50 Champlain College students $3000 scholarships. In fact, on his website he boasts of his charitable giving, listing 110 groups and agencies that have received at least $15,000 worth of his largesse — everything from the Flynn Center and VPR to the Food Shelf and the Boys & Girls Club.

Most readers have never heard of Terry F. Allen before. But we all remember **Robin Hood**, right?

And this Robin Hood is having a rough year. Champlain College Board President **Bill Post** told "Inside Track" that Mr. Allen resigned from the board of trustees in April.

"He didn't specify any particular reason," said Post. "Nobody was aware of this," he said, referring to Allen's problems with the SEC.

"Inside Track" has also learned that "for the past year or so," Allen has been unable to meet his $150,000 annual scholarship commitment.

"My lifetime goal (established

to celebrate the Millennium) is to give away $1000 a day for the rest of my life to needy folks in Vermont," wrote Allen in an email. "And I was able to keep up with it for over four years, but a recent lack of venture capital liquidity events has caused what I hope is a temporary suspension of my giving. Life is good, however, and will be even better if the SEC suit reaches a happy conclusion."

Police Beat — The recent showing in Burlington of a film about the 1984 Vermont State Police Raid on the Northeast Kingdom Community Church in Island Pond brought back other memories.

From 1982-85, yours truly began the work day with a 5:30 a.m. stop by the old police headquarters to pick up a copy of the previous day's "daily log." The officer in charge of the shift would cover up the complainant column and photocopy the page for us. At 7:05 we reported "The Queen City Crimewatch" on the WDOT-AM airwaves. It was a big hit at the time.

Fast-forward to the present. Our shrinking local daily appears to have dropped its crime coverage. Sure, murders get covered, but the rest? Fuhgeddaboudit!

As one prosecutor remarked, "It's **Brian Joyce** or nothing" when it comes to crime coverage. Joyce does the crime beat for WCAX-TV. But Brian can only do one story a day, and dozens are missed.

To assess the current state of affairs, we contacted BPD and asked for copies of the last three weeks' worth of "daily logs."

Turns out the daily log isn't what it used to be. We got a computer printout that told us little. "Incidents" were identified broadly as "Noise," "Assault" or "Suspicious" without any detail. Street names were given, but not house numbers. No distinction was made, for example, between North Street and North Avenue. Between North and South Willard. The modern BPD "logs" were useless to an inquiring reporter.

However, the taxpayers have a right to know what their cops are doing. After all, they're called the Burlington Police, not the Secret Police.

Chief **Tom Tremblay** agreed and told "Inside Track" he's going to do something about it. Currently the BPD webpage is a joke. That will change by New Year's, said Chief Tom Terrific. It's currently being redesigned, he said.

The new BPD website, we're told, will have all press releases that go out to the media and a weekly wrap-up of "all persons cited and arrested for criminal offenses."

"I'm also considering posting the names of those cited for noise offenses," said Tremblay.

Improvements cannot be made sooner, he said, because for budgetary reasons the job has to be done in-house.

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Music preview: f y d o

STORY
PAMELA POLSTON

IMAGES
MATTHEW THORSEN

f y d o opening benefit gala, Union Station, Burlington, August 11, 8 p.m. $25.

Fresh Young Dynamic Opera. That's the actual name of a brand-new company based in Burlington — only they prefer to just call it f y d o. Yep: lower-case and spaced out. A name that will confound traditionalists, not to mention typists. A name that to the ear sounds like a four-legged companion with a leash. So right from the start this five-piece ensemble is making a statement: An opera company can be edgy, accessible and playful. All of them are thirtysomething: old enough to have plenty of training and experience, young enough to have grown up addicted to "Friends."

In fact, they *are* all friends, which is one reason they want to play together. Soprano Shyla Nelson and mezzo-soprano Wendy Hoffman Farrell live in Burlington and Bolton, respectively. Both are well known locally for their work with such groups as the Vermont Mozart Festival and the Vermont Symphony Orchestra. Hoffman Farrell got her start with the Essex Children's Choir. Nelson met soprano Laura Smith at a vocal-arts institute in Italy two years ago; both train at the same studio in New York. Smith will soon move from Manhattan to Berlin to launch her European career. Tenor Peter Joshua Burroughs is from Williston and sang with Nelson in high school — he even took her to the prom. Burroughs now lives in Washington, D.C., and performs internationally. So does his partner, pianist and conductor Carlos César Rodriguez — just last week he was performing in France with opera great Jessye Norman. Burroughs and Rodriguez are also affiliated with the Washington National Opera.

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>
> **SHYLA NELSON**

With all these urban and cross-continental connections, why base an opera company in Burlington, Vermont, where the best-known musical export has been a jam band, and opera a rare booking by the Lane Series? "Burlington is growing increasingly cosmopolitan; it's not as insular," suggests Nelson. "This company really speaks to that. Peter and I have deep ties to Vermont but also out to the world. Our company can bring that world to Burlington."

Burroughs is happy for more opportunities to come home, he says. "It's exciting to me to be bringing this back to the place that nurtured me, and to visit my family." He and Rodriguez have also begun an association with St. Michael's College.

Bob Hallowell, a retired Burlington businessman, has been advising Nelson on strategic planning and fundraising for f y d o. He thinks "because she wanted to" is a good enough reason to start an opera company in the Queen City, but adds, "Shyla's enthusiasm is absolutely infectious." The company will be well received, Hallowell predicts. "It's a wonderful story: friends working together. It's very professional, the real thing. You're not going to have $5 million sets like in New York, but the singers and musicians will be first-rate."

The public will have a chance to meet the members of f y d o Thursday at a gala benefit performance at Union Station an

Burlington Nelson says their program of "opera's greatest hits" — in arias, duets and ensemble pieces — will serve as an introduction to the genre itself. She's hoping that people who don't know or think they don't like opera will check it out. Especially young people. "We want to show that even opera singers know how to have fun," Nelson says with a grin. "We want to be a bridge between profound (older) opera fans and our generation. We want to shatter the myth of the diva."

She stresses that last word so you can sense the quotation marks around it. Sometimes she prefers "divette." But Nelson says she means no disrespect to the great divas of yesteryear — and after all, beautiful, best-selling younger singers such as Cecilia Bartoli have already broken the "Brunhilda" mold.

Nelson, who looks you straight in the eye without wavering when she talks, may herself be another reason fydo is based in her home town. She's one determined Gen Xer who embraces the "just do it" credo. If the established opera world doesn't provide enough — or sufficiently fun — opportunities to perform, it's time to take matters into your own hands.

Burroughs suggests that as "a product of public school" — Champlain Valley Union, in his case — "the biggest thing I learned was self-discipline. Learning how to make things happen for yourself."

But this entrepreneurial spirit is not the only reason fydo is a different kind of opera company. There's the subtle matter of sexual orientation.

In the 14 years since Nelson and her old friend Burroughs last performed together, both have "come out." Of course, they are by no means the world's first gay opera singers, but perhaps it is a hallmark of their generation that everything is out, so to speak, in the open. Nelson calls the company "metrosexual." "We've got Straight Eye for the Queer Diva," she says with a laugh, explaining that her divette pals took her bra shopping at Victoria's Secret this week. "They have to help me dress to look the part."

Is it a coincidence that fydo's first full production — at the Elley-Long Music Center at St. Michael's College this September — is Handel's *Alcina*? The work, first performed in 1735, has an uber-feminist title character, a couple of cross-dressing women, and enough magical transformations to rival *A Midsummer Night's Dream*. In brief, Alcina (Smith) is a sorceress who lives on an island to which she lures new lovers at will — and dispenses with the tiresome ones by turning them into trees or some such. Morgana (Nelson) is her bad-girl sister. Ruggero happens upon the island and falls under Alcina's spell. Sung by a castrato in Handel's time, Ruggero is generally played by a woman today. In this case that role will fall to Hoffman Farrell. Ruggero's girlfriend Bradamante comes looking for him, disguised in drag, whereupon Morgana falls in love with him/her. You get the idea.

Perhaps Burroughs will play one of the guys turned into something else. The remaining parts will be sung by guest artists whom Nelson has met at her New York vocal studio. For the past few years she's been working there with voice teacher Mark Schnaible. Currently in Israel, he declares via email that "*Alcina* is a perfect vehicle for their particular voices." Schnaible adds that he doesn't know what fydo has in mind in terms of future productions, but he's confident they'll choose well for what is good for them to sing," he says. "After all it is their passion that is igniting this endeavor."

Part of that passion is for music itself. *Alcina* was chosen not because of its gender-bending roles, but because "It is one of the most beautiful pieces of music in the world," Nelson asserts. "It's delicate, but has this passionate, earthy strain."

Because all the members of fydo are so busy, for now they are planning just one full production a year — though that may change if all goes well, suggests Nelson. Next year, appropriately for the 250th anniversary of Mozart's birth, the group will stage his *Così fan tutte*. A classic work, to be sure, but fydo promises a fresh, dynamic twist in all their productions.

Of course, no one stays young forever. But youth has as much to do with attitude as accumulated years. And the Gen X members of fydo aren't sweating it. They'd like to do for opera what the Kronos Quartet did for chamber music. "We love exquisitely rendered operatic works and are committed to creating a sleek, elegant aesthetic experience. We take our art seriously," Nelson says, "but we don't take ourselves too seriously." ⑦

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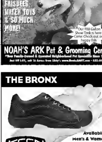

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Theater review: *Bat Boy: The Musical*

STORY
PAMELA POLSTON

***Bat Boy: The Musical*, story and book by Keythe Farley and Brian Flemming, music and lyrics by Laurence O'Keefe, directed and choreographed by Nick Corley, produced by Peter Boynton. The Skinner Barn, Waitsfield. August 10-14, 8 p.m. $15**

If the "Bat Boy" hadn't been born with pointy ears and fangs, he'd be just like the rest of us. Or so suggests *Bat Boy: The Musical*, now playing at the Skinner Barn in Waitsfield. Actually, there is one other important difference: He has to drink blood to survive. As with many horror stories before it, in this play the "normal" humans prove to be just as bloodthirsty and emotionally needy, and in the end we are left with the classic question: Who is the real monster?

Probably the first musical ever inspired by a supermarket tabloid, *Bat Boy* is based on a "true" story reported in 1992 in the *Weekly World News*. It was first staged in Los Angeles in 1997 and debuted in New York four years later. The production garnered numerous awards and became an instant cult favorite. Director John Landis is currently in production with a film version of the musical, assisted by Farley and Flemming. Expect it in 2007. The robust rendition at the Skinner Barn, produced by Peter Boynton and directed and choreographed by Nick Corley, is a Vermont premiere.

Bat Boy: The Musical is part satire, part campy parody and part sci-fi, in the manner of *Little Shop of Horrors*. Like that production, this one benefits from compelling characters and clever dialogue, and is frequently punctuated with exuberant music incorporating rock, gospel and show tune styles. And then there's that highly original premise. Keythe Farley and Brian Flemming (story and book) and Laurence O'Keefe (music and lyrics) recognized the potential drama — comic *and* tragic — and developed the Bat Boy story.

A half-boy, half-bat creature is discovered in a cave by three spelunking siblings in West Virginia; he is captured and taken to the home of Dr. Parker, a local vet, but not before biting one of the teens, who thereafter languishes in a nearby hospital. Mrs. Parker takes to the Bat Boy in a big way, dubbing him Edgar and civilizing him with tenderness and fierce possessiveness. Their daughter Shelley, at first resentful of the "freak," eventually falls in love with him. To move things along, the uncommonly intelligent boy masters English and earns his G.E.D. in no time at all. That Mrs. Parker doesn't notice her husband feeding Edgar blood on the side is one clue to the couple's intimacy-free marriage.

Meanwhile, in the aptly named village of Hope Falls, the cows are dying of a mysterious affliction, and the town's reactionary bumpkin residents are certain Bat Boy is to blame. They want his head — and they hope a revival meeting preacher will somehow revive their fortunes as well as save their souls. By the way, some of the subtle parody in *Bat Boy* revolves around the concept of "Christian charity."

For the sake of anyone unfamiliar with the plot of *Bat Boy*, neither the suspense revelation — how the Bat Boy came to be — nor its ending will be revealed here. Suffice it to say that a lot of blood is involved. Parents, take note: If plays were rated like movies, this one would be PG-13, for some ruthless murders, creepy sexual innuendos and disturbing biting scenes. Despite the body count, though, *Bat Boy* delivers plenty of humor — the script is often laugh-out-loud funny — as well as genuinely poignant moments and rafter-shaking musical numbers.

As for Peter Boynton's Vermont production. The Off-Broadway pros couldn't have been much better than this cast. In part that's because half of the roles are filled by pros and the rest by young actors who really can act, not to mention sing like nobody's business. Among the latter group are several Harwood Union High School students and recent grads who have worked with Boynton either in annual theater productions at school or in his acting workshops. One standout is 16-year-old Shana Taub of Waitsfield. Though her two roles in *Bat Boy* are minor, she deserves kudos for stratospheric vocal power.

Boynton is a former TV soap-opera star with film and theater credits. Since buying the Skinner Farm 20 years ago, he has painstakingly transformed the 1891 barn into a venue for classes, plays and other events. For the past three seasons he has produced shows there under the nonprofit Commons Group umbrella.

In *Bat Boy*, Boynton plays Dr. Parker with aplomb, his initial affability gradually turning sinister. Classically tall, dark-haired and handsome, Boynton goes frumpy with glasses and rumpled vet wear here. The first time he wields his overused hypodermic, his casual disregard for life is shocking — we don't learn the reason for his moral decline until later in the play.

As Mrs. Parker, the lovely Broadway actress Lauri Landry is spectacular. Though slender and delicately built, she meets the surprisingly physical role, and its psychological freight, with vigor and assurance. Her richly expressive soprano serves her well both in song and in her upright, chirpy persona. In a production set vaguely in "the present," and which includes a hip-hop number and contemporary vernacular, Landry's June Cleaver get-up is slightly jarring. Until, that is, you realize the '50s attire, hairdo and repressed demeanor represent Mrs. Parker's emotional development, which froze, along with her love life, a long time ago.

Two other seasoned professionals turn in stellar performances in double roles. Ann Harvey is deliciously demanding as the town's mayor and the rude, redneck mother of the three doomed Taylor kids. Joe Garofalo, a New York stage veteran now active in Vermont's theater scene, easily inhabits both his inept sheriff and thundering preacher parts, and his big baritone still fills a room.

Blond-haired Micaela Mendicino, a St. Michael's theater major, shines as Shelley Parker, a role in which she blossoms from whiny teen to mature young woman bearing the weight of unspeakable loss. Her sweet voice is remarkably similar to that of the singer heard on the *Bat Boy* CD. Wagner College student Jake Smith is also commendable as Shelley's juvie boyfriend Rick Taylor; resembling a young Gérard Depardieu, he's got a unique, swaggering presence and a strong voice.

As the titular star of the show, Matt Bailey is riveting — even if he doesn't look anything like the creepy critter in the *Weekly World News*, with its huge eyes, long ears and razor-sharp teeth. Bailey is tall, broad-shouldered and perfectly nice-looking; he makes do with ear and incisor enhancements. But when found in the cave, he effectively conveys the trapped creature's terror with guttural shrieks and cowering body language. As he responds to Mrs. Parker's T.L.C., he evolves physically, intellectually and emotionally with fast-forward speed. In the scene in which Edgar morphs from illiterate semi-Chiroptera to erudite scholar, Bailey is hilarious and endearing — and proves to be a competent singer as well. Far-fetched though it may be, his transcendence is cause for jubilation among not just his new dysfunctional family but the audience as well.

But it doesn't last long. The tragedy in this black comedy strikes all too soon. Despite Edgar's touching, tearful plea for acceptance, and salvation from his bloodsucking ways, an evil intervention from Dr. Parker at the revival ensures that no one will come to a happy end.

James McNamara's set and lighting design are simple but effective. A low stage with spare props suggests the Parkers' home, a town meeting or a cave. A clever, multi-scene backdrop opens and closes like a triptych. Several fake Christmas trees stand in for woods.

Hidden from view behind a panel, music director Justin Mainelli plays keyboards and directs three other players — the live music is a treat and, at last Friday's show, was in perfect sync with the singers and just the right volume. Only one pitch problem in the first group number marred an otherwise outstanding musical production from beginning to end.

The Skinner Barn, painted a classic red and white on the outside, is a jewel in the verdant Mad River Valley — the views alone are worth the trip to Waitsfield. Inside, though, the post-and-beam construction does present two barriers to the sight lines: posts. Try not to sit behind them. The wooden folding chairs are hard on the bum after a couple hours, too. But these are teensy complaints; the rural Vermont venue is a summertime pleasure and this production of *Bat Boy* is freakishly entertaining.

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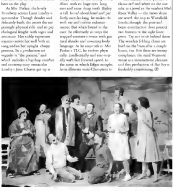

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Burlington's 242 Main is at capacity. On a recent sweltering Friday afternoon, an eager crowd has assembled at the youth center/music venue to witness more than 10 rock bands blasting through tunes ranging from metal to ska. Frantic soundmen make final tweaks and adjustments to the amps and microphones strewn across 242's well-worn stage. It's the calm before a rock 'n' roll storm, and anticipation is high.

Audience members sitting on plastic folding chairs fan themselves with day-glo event programs. They don't look like the club's typical punk-rock patrons, however — gray hair and spectacles far outnumber mohawks and piercings. In fact, most of the crowd is over 40. They're here to support their sons, daughters, nieces and nephews — the young graduates of 242 Main's Vermont Rock Music Camp.

This scrappy musical academy, which is overseen by the Burlington Parks & Recreation Department, has a few things in common with more traditional band camps. Each weeklong session includes workshops, instrument clinics, concerts, theory classes, rehearsals and, finally, a concert in front of friends and family. But the real difference between Rock Camp and other summer music-education programs is attitude. Forget about academic orthodoxy; this is a get-your-hands-dirty kind of experience. The 11-to-18-year-old students encounter the thrills and hassles of being in a real rock band, from the rush of performance to interpersonal dynamics. Along the way they record a tune with Daryl Rabidoux, 28, an in-demand Burlington engineer. They also learn to write and arrange music, set up and strike gear, and put together a press kit.

Once a haven for misanthropic misfits, rock 'n' roll is now a highly competitive business in which success and failure are measured not just in ability but also in promotion and organization. But Rock Camp, now in its fifth year, is really about playing hard and making friends. And judging from the smiles on the campers' faces as they bustle their gear through the crowd, it's a blast.

Before the students can even dream of getting onstage, however, they've got to get their fundamentals down. That's where the camp's A-list instructors come in. Guitarist, educator and Camp Director Greg Mastes has been with the program since its humble beginnings at Jericho's Browns River Middle School in 2000, when music teacher Harry Shenawolf was its director. Mastes took over in the program's second year.

A gifted and energetic teacher, Mastes is also friends with a large number of Vermont's professional musicians, many of whom are involved with the program. Instructors represent nearly every branch of rock's family tree: soulful diva Tammy Fletcher, country-rock crooner Brett Hughes, drum hero Gabe Jarrett, bass god Stacy Starkweather, rocker Ted Pappadopoulos and reggae legend Bobby Hackney have all shared their considerable knowledge and experience. Local groups such as Carrigan, Swale, My Revenge, Barbacoa and the Abby Jenne Band have played for the students and have provided information as well as inspiration during Q&A sessions afterwards.

Mastes, 42, is a dark-haired, intelligent-looking fellow with an easygoing demeanor. It's easy to see why the kids relate to him — his mischievous grin and quick wit make all that practice seem fun. Along with Richard Bailey, general director of 242 Main, he keeps the trains running on time. But when it comes to teaching, everyone pitches in.

"Most of the instructors have been doing this for a couple of years," Mastes says. "So they have a really good idea of how to give campers direction, from helping them choose the right material to working with arrangements."

Bobby Hackney, a gregarious 48-year-old with a booming voice and dreadlocks, knows a thing or two about teaching kids music. He's got a son and a daughter in this year's camp. Another son, Bobby Jr., is a professional drummer. Still, Hackney claims that he learns as much from the youth as they do from him. "There's no better source of inspiration for musicians than young kids," he says. "There's such energy and enthusiasm. Some of these kids are going to become leaders in this music community, you'd best believe it."

242 Main is located in the sprawling, cavernous Memorial Auditorium building, each corner of which Rock Camp puts to use. On the Tuesday of the session's second week, diminutive rockers are around every bend, running through material as diverse as Elvis and Green Day. At one point, three bands can be heard at once: two on opposite sides of the basketball floor and a third on the auditorium's stage. The resulting cacophony is akin to jets taking off. "I usually like to have one of these bands playing downstairs at 242," Bailey explains. "But we just had a workshop, and there wasn't time to set everything up again."

Behind colossal double doors, yet another band is bashing through Led Zeppelin's "The Ocean." The kids nail the tune's notoriously tricky time signa-

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ture, and the singer eerily duplicates Robert Plant's famous banshee wail. The results are impressive.

Given its rich musical history, Memorial Auditorium might be the perfect setting for Rock Camp. "The kids get quiet when you tell them that Bob Marley was on this stage," says Pappadopoulos, 40. "It really brings things home."

With 50-plus students in each session, a legitimate worry is that the camp might become *too* popular. The vast majority of the students seem intent on returning next year, and many of them plan to tell their friends. Bailey, a guitarist who at 36 still looks very much the rocker, attributes the program's growth in part to parental enthusiasm. "They wanted us to do a winter session during the break, but that's a bit of an undertaking," he says. "They also say they want us to do an adult rock camp for them!"

Bailey's boss, Maggie Leugers of Parks & Rec, is prepared to expand the program if need be. "I wouldn't doubt that we could go three weeks," she says. "But we'd have to spread it out a bit so the kids and the staff don't get burned out."

If playing in a rock band was once considered antisocial behavior, it now can be a cure for the same condition. One camper who suffered from severe shyness makes a miraculous turnaround by the end of the first session. Stunning his instructors, he drops to his knees during a guitar solo in the final concert. He's back full force for week two, and performs a powerful version of Green Day's "Good Riddance (Time of Your Life)."

Izzy Blakely Amanzade, an 11-year-old sprite with an oversized personality, thinks meeting other young musicians is the best part of the experience. "The first week I was with all my friends, and I was like, 'Dad, Dad, I'm not going to have any friends in the second week,'" she says. "But I'm a very social person, so I just made more."

What Hackney says is true: Watching the kids perform is uplifting. It's obvious they aren't afraid of hard work, or the spotlight — no complainers or shrinking violets here. It can also be humbling. Some of these nascent rockers are better than a lot of grown-ups, a fact that isn't lost on the instructors.

One such musician, 13-year-old guitarist Matt Bronstein, has only been playing for a year. A Black Sabbath fan, he has not one but *two* bands outside of camp. The kid's soulful phrasing and buttery chops honestly make even a seasoned musician a wee bit jealous. When complimented on his prodigious fretwork, Bronstein takes it in stride. "Thanks," he replies nonchalantly. But when asked if he'll be coming back next year, he can no longer hide his enthusiasm. His eyes light up and he answers without skipping a beat: "Definitely."

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NOBODY'S HOME

If Burlington's real-estate market is booming, why are these buildings vacant?

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The vacant white house at 280 North Winooski Avenue in Burlington's Old North End is so shaded by the tree in front of it that from the road you might not realize it's abandoned. Sandwiched between commercial buildings, it's surrounded by a sea of crumbling concrete. Disposable cups are tangled in the vegetation in front of the house. Many of its windows are missing, replaced by weathered plywood slabs — some of them covered in graffiti. A flyer for the North Winooski Avenue Renewal Celebration is stapled to the plywood over a side window. The posting might seem hopeful if not for its date, June 25, 2003.

The house, one of about a dozen vacant buildings in Burlington, has clearly been empty and deteriorating for years. It belongs to Clark W. Hinsdale Jr., a well-known Burlington landlord who lives in Charlotte. He did not return phone calls for this story.

Though most Burlingtonians might not even notice the state of the building, the people who live and work near it are painfully aware of its condition. Paula Haskell, who owns the Greener Pastures thrift shop at 274 North Winooski, considers the dilapidated property a thorn in her side. She believes the empty house contributed to the graffiti scrawled across the side of her building. "There's homeless people living in there," the young entrepreneur says. "Every morning when I drive in, I'm picking up broken bottles, syringes. God knows what's going on in that house. That's not fair for myself and the other tenants in this building."

Haskell's experience is unusual in Burlington, where sky-high property values and a healthy economy have kept vacancy rates low. But she's not alone. City officials list 12 vacant buildings, scattered throughout the city, and they're preparing to crack down on landlords who aren't keeping their properties up to code.

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According to Burlington's housing code, vacant buildings are "a blight on their neighborhoods." They "cause deterioration and instability," and they "have an adverse impact upon adjacent and nearby properties." A 2001 study by Temple University, posted on the website of the National Vacant Properties Campaign, reports that houses within 150 feet of a neglected, vacant property experienced a net loss in value of $7627.

Senior Patrol Officer Tom Nash of the Burlington Police Department says Burlington's vacant buildings are "certainly something of a concern for us ... they do attract certain illicit activity." The buildings can become a magnet for the city's homeless and transient population, as well as for teenagers and illegal drug users. The structures often fall victim to what Nash calls "the broken window syndrome" — "an abandoned building that gets vandalized once will probably get vandalized again," he says.

Vacant and abandoned properties can also pose fire hazards. In 1999, six firefighters died in a blaze in an abandoned building in Worcester, Massachusetts. The National Fire Protection Association estimates that 6000 firefighters are injured in vacant or abandoned building fires every year.

Why Burlington's vacant buildings remain so is something of a mystery. Neighbors wonder — why don't the owners tear these buildings down? Or fix them up? Michael Monte, director of the city's Community and Economic Development Office (CEDO), says it's not always so simple. Renovation and demolition are pricey. "People think, 'Just tear it down,'" he says, "but it's not inexpensive to tear something down."

So why not sell the property to someone else? "It's not because the property's not valued," he explains. "It's usually because there's some other issue."

Not surprisingly, few landlords are eager to talk about their vacant properties. Finding out what's going on with them is tricky. Some owners are hard to reach. "You're dealing with the hardest nuts to crack," says Brian Pine, assistant CEDO director. "They are some of the hardest people to pin down."

Pine has spent years interacting with these landlords. "Most people who own property are not interested in being known as a slumlord," he observes. "Most people, if given the option, will put their property back into use or get rid of it. I think some people just have a different concept of what it means to own property."

So what *are* the responsibilities of an owner of a vacant building in Burlington? They can be found

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in Article III sections 8-42 through 8-50 an ordinance passed by the City Council in 1999 They define a building as vacant if it is not a seasonal building, vacation home permitted warehouse or a garage and it has been without an occupant for 90 days. The owner of a vacant building must maintain the structure according to fire safety and zoning regulations Doors, windows and other openings must be "weather tight," and covered by "rigid transparent materials" — plywood-covered windows that don t let in light create hazards for firefighters The foundation must be sound The interior and exterior of the house must be cleared of "rubbish" and "excessive vegetation."

Owners must also apply for a permit four times a year The fee is $500 and may be waived for a year if the owner can prove that the property is being "actively marketed for sale " The fee may also be waived if the owner has secured a permit to demolish the structure

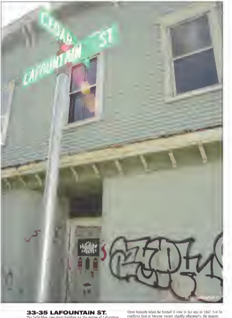
Brian Pine was one of the rule s supporters The idea he says, is to encourage owners to keep the property in use or sell it to someone who will use it. And it has worked — he and other city officials point to several properties in the city that have been "rehabbed" as a result of the law, such as the house at 182 South Champlain Street sold in a tax sale, which is now a family home When the ordinance was passed, more than 30 buildings were vacant — more than double the number empty today

But for the past several years, enforcement of the ordinance has been lax. The city doesn t have a coherent system for following up on vacant buildings and can t even say with any certainty how many there are nor whether the owners have permits. "The lack of enforcement is a problem " concedes Pine "It s not what the City Council had in mind when they passed the ordinance that s for sure "

New code-enforcement officer Gregory McKnight who started work for the city in April says putting a process in place is one of his "top priorities." McKnight explains that he and his office have begun identifying and contacting landlords, who can expect to hear from the city within a few weeks if they haven t already He notes that during his tenure as a code-enforcement officer in Denver the number of vacant buildings dropped from 747 to 147

McKnight feels confident that he can make progress here, considering the scope of the problem in Burlington. "It s not an overwhelming task for the code enforcement office to do " he says.

These are the properties on his radar



33-35 LAFOUNTAIN ST.

The light blue two-story building on the corner of Lafountain and Cedar Streets in the Old North End is an eyesore. The first floor once housed a storefront, but the windows have long been boarded up and scrawled with graffiti. The second floor and the back of the building are divided into three apartments Their rickety wooden porches front Cedar Street

The paint is peeling The doors on Lafountain have no handles. The four electric meters no longer have dials Cigarette butts candy wrappers and a black plastic bag filled with trash occupy the yard In an alley behind the building lies the dismembered leg of a child's doll. A narrow rubbish-filled alley separates the building from the house next door on Lafountain owned by Dechen Tarmo and her family Tibetan prayer flags hang above her front steps

The Tibetan immigrant bought her house seven years ago and says 33 Lafountain has been vacant since she s been here The Tarmos have since become its de facto caretakers "It's not very good " she says "Other people come around and throw trash there We have to mow the lawn "

According to land records the property belongs to Craig Lesage of Stockbom who bought it from his father for $10 in June 1987 Lesage owes more than $19,000 in back taxes on the property which have been accruing since 1988 City attorney Gene Bergman says Lesage also owes the city for work city employees have done to fix up the property Despite repeated phone calls to his home Lesage could not be reached for comment

His father, Francis Lesage of Winooski says the property had three tenants when he turned it over to his son in 1987 but he confirms that it became vacant shortly afterwards. He reports that he and his son rarely discuss the building "Well, the city can take it over as far as I'm concerned" Francis says And given the amount of back taxes Lesage owes, it's likely that the city will step in soon.

111 NORTH WINOOSKI AVE.

Graffiti broken windows and bags of trash now mar the exterior of this historic two-story home Dan Chahine a 21 year-old CCV student who lives in one of the modern gray apartment units next door says a family of raccoons lives in the junk filled shed behind the house. "They get stuck in our dumpster" he says The shed once housed a small repair and locksmith shop A sign on its door says, "Sorry were closed " Through a broken window a wall calendar is visible — the year is 1975

George Munson who lives just down the block inherited 111 North Winooski Avenue a house his grandfather bought in 1895 According to the *Historic Guide to Burlington Neighborhoods Vol III* the house is known as the "David Read House," after the former UVM treasurer and partner in the Winooski Marble Company

Munson readily admits the house is vacant though city officials indicate they weren t sure of its status Munson doesn t remember how long it's been since anyone lived there. "A couple of years I guess," he says. "I should clean it out and sell it to someone I suppose "

That actually shouldn't be too hard, Glimpses of the house s

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For rehab king Stu McGowan, it's all about local color

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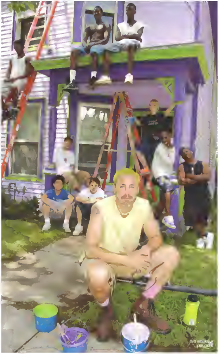

STU McGOWAN AND CREW

There's nothing beige about Stu McGowan, owner of approximately 25 brightly colored rental properties in Burlington's Old North End. Over the past five years, he's bought up and rehabbed some of the worst housing stock in the city. On compromised corridors such as Convent Square and Archibald Street, the old gray has given way to splashes of optimistic orange, purple, vermilion and fuchsia.

No less eye-catching than his growing real estate empire is McGowan himself: tall and tattooed with a buzz-cut dyed day-glo green. His Vermont Paint T-shirt matches his hair, but the pink socks and work boots are delightfully incongruous. Cruising the hood in his '72 purple El Camino, cellphone in hand, he looks more like a movie producer than a landlord.

In fact, he's a developer with a social mission — Burlington's own anti-Trump. McGowan's goal is to revitalize neighborhoods in a way that doesn't force poor families out. Until now, he's done it with affordable apartments. He's never raised rents on his 100-plus tenants, half of whom are on Section 8. Last Friday, in what appears to be a new trend in Burlington's toughest neighborhood, he was scheduled to close on his first two condos. From now on, McGowan says, he'll mostly be buying and fixing up units to sell, not rent.

All that rehab work provides jobs and vocational training. McGowan hires local youth, who work for him at a starting wage of $9 an hour. A veritable one-man Youthbuild, he whips the team into shape with a combination of tough love, personal magnetism and New Jersey swagger. He seems more like 30 than 42. He calls his company ShoeLess Konstruction — "with a 'K' because I work with kids," McGowan says. Need a business card? The logo is tattooed just above his left bicep.

If he had a business motto, it might be: "Karma goes a long fucking way in this work," McGowan suggests.

On a recent morning, he's overseeing a painting crew at the house next door to his home at 105 Intervale Avenue. More than half of the dozen neighborhood teenagers are black — a mixture of African Americans and African refugees. The rest are white and Asian. McGowan points out two boys he umpired in the Old North End Little League. Another, who was

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apparently afraid of heights the previous day, proudly informs McGowan that he's over his phobia. The boss sends him up the tallest ladder with a brush and a bucket of bright-green paint.

At 35 1/2 Convent Square, a three-unit apartment building that's being gutted, McGowan's college-age daughter Emma is installing brand-new windows. She's working with her Vietnamese "brother" Thach, one of four kids McGowan and his wife Joan Watson have taken in since they moved to the neighborhood in 1989. Once an aspiring veterinarian, McGowan rescues animals, too. The family "jungle room" is home to a menagerie of birds and reptiles.

Around the corner at 14 Convent Square, the scene is a little more upscale. A middle-aged Vermont carpenter is putting the finishing touches on two customized apartments that McGowan is selling as condos — the first time he's done this. Both units have new wood floors, with hand-cut tiles marking the entry to the bottom-floor apartment. The second-story space features track lighting and a sleek black gas range.

> A veritable one-man Youthbuild, he whips the team into shape with a combination of tough love, personal magnetism and New Jersey swagger

Although it's a new direction for McGowan, he insists "condoizing" advances his larger development goals. He worries that only out-of-staters will pay $250,000 for duplexes that used to go for $150,000. "I don't want to see gentrification. I want to see stabilized, moderate-income housing. But the big problem is, the vast majority is still rental," McGowan says. "I want people to start owning their own properties. I think the thing to do is to create affordable housing that can be sold."

McGowan is first to admit that there's a practical side to his altruism. After Burlington's recent property reassessment doubled his tax bill, the numbers weren't working at one of

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his buildings "I went 'Wait a minute I've got enough houses Why don't I condo it?'" Although it costs more to separate the utilities, and there are additional legal fees McGowan says he makes more money selling the units individually

The price tag — $140 000 — was just right for Esther Maynard soon-to-be-owner of the 800-square-foot top-floor apartment at 14 Convent Square. Her boyfriend Derek George is buying the slightly larger unit below for $170 000

In Burlington anything under $160 000 is considered affordable according to Brian Pine a housing expert with the city's Community and Economic Development Office Two people with combined annual earnings of $44 000 — calculated as 80 percent of the median income — can make home ownership work. Although he wasn't aware that McGowan was going condo, Pine fully supports the concept. In the Old North End "We need more ownership units" he says, "and we need them delivered at an affordable price"

McGowan never pictured himself playing this high-stakes Monopoly game. A UVM grad, he started his own video production company in 1987 Five years later he founded another entity to distribute his work. But The Noodlehead Network turned into something else; a leading producer of educational videos by and for children. The kids literally ran the shows McGowan eked a modest living from it.

In 1999 he started thinking about a "retirement plan. I had no savings I was self employed I knew I'd be screwed" McGowan says So he "planned" to buy one house in the neighborhood every summer as an investment property

The ulterior motive was to keep the area friendly and to improve the housing stock. When McGowan and Watson moved to Intervale Avenue in 1988 "the Old North End was bad news," he recalls. "But our little pocket was stabilized" he says thanks to an old school landlord who owned almost all the properties around them. Even after he moved his own family out of Burlington, Celse Martelle took good care of his buildings and the people who lived there

He must have recognized the same quality in McGowan When Martelle died several months ago the family offered McGowan first right of refusal on the house next door — the one the kid crew is currently painting purple and green. The inside is

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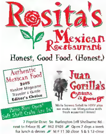
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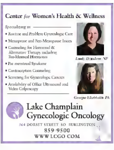
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classic back and front porches, sunny front room, pantry with built-in cabinets. The dark wood trim is in perfect condition.

Old-timers have been good to McGowan. Everett Pecor was already ailing when he agreed to sell McGowan a house on Walnut Street. "His last words to his son were literally, 'Did you get me the check for that house?'" McGowan recalls. After Pecor's death, his sons offered McGowan four more of his father's properties — all of them on Archibald Street. The empire was born.

"I get calls all the time," McGowan says, noting that there's never been a single real estate agent involved in any of his transactions. "Some I want. Some I don't want."

Actually, most of the calls McGowan receives — 80 to 100 per day — are not about new properties. They're from tenants, workers, inspectors, contractors, lawyers. Even if he wasn't "hands-on" and "officially in charge," keeping it all going would be a monumental task. "It suits me to a T," he says, noting the myriad skills used in producing video are directly transferable to his real estate ventures. McGowan manages all of his properties himself, including showing apartments and choosing tenants.

His secret? "Nicotine gum," he suggests. "Can't live without it."

McGowan says he's "very picky" when it comes to renters. But that doesn't mean he won't take a chance on a prospect with a poor rental history, or let someone accrue a security deposit on a payment plan. "I take a chance on 20 percent and about 50 percent of those turn out to be problems," he concedes. It's not uncommon for him to charge more for one apartment so he can discount another.

"It's the beauty of the capitalist system," he says, sounding more like a socialist.

Pine praises McGowan for his commitment to folks on [illegible] "If you're worried at all about the tenant stiffing you on rent, or leaving you with a mess, you might just stay away from that program." Stu takes a gamble. "That doesn't scare him away at all," Pine adds. "He's not too reluctant if he takes a chance on you and you burn him. He can't afford to be."

Managing the cash flow is the bigger challenge. McGowan describes it as a "real insane balancing act . . . I put between $75,000 and $150,000 into every house. You can't get that back right away." Despite a fruitful relationship with the Chittenden — the bank lends him money for improvements based on the estimated after-rehab value — McGowan says he has come "within a whisker of bankruptcy two or three times." The family's beach house in North Carolina has been refinanced on four occasions in five years. Although he's now on solid financial footing, he's not yet rolling in dough.

"Everybody thinks I'm a rich landlord," McGowan says. "I plan to be someday."

Of course, he may have to sell a few more condos first. And right now that means attaching a screen door, demolishing a shed out back and satisfying some guy looking for insulation leaks in the crawl space beneath the first-floor apartment. It also involves lawyers — "one reason I haven't sold more houses," McGowan notes.

The question of painters has yet to be resolved. Technically, it's up to George and Maynard to choose an exterior color — now off-white — but McGowan has offered to pay for half the job if they'll let him "help choose" the colors. "That's how much I love painting houses," he says with a chuckle.

Actually, McGowan's color scheme has become a powerful marketing tool. Those bright blues and pinks serve multiple purposes, the least of which is offering a visual inventory of his real-estate holdings. McGowan actually scored two places because the sellers tracked down "the guy who paints the houses."

It's "a big notice to these neighborhoods that things are changing," McGowan says. Some homeowners have responded by livening up their own places with bolder hues. Not everybody likes the color coding. But McGowan recalls one young man who came by the Intervale work site the other day full of paint-job praise. "He said, 'When you're in a bad mood, you turn the corner and it just brightens you up.' I said, 'That's it, dude.'" ⑦

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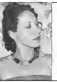

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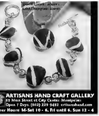

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glory haven't vanished entirely — the windows on either side of the solid wood front door are stained glass. The elaborate designs on the old-fashioned skeleton-key lockplate haven't worn away. And the stately porch still stands, though it's desperately in need of some TLC. A peek through the sheer curtains over the tall, narrow first-floor windows reveals hardwood floors, sculpted trim and push-button lightswitches.

Even its owner doesn't seem to understand why it's taken so long to sell the place. He claims there's no shortage of buyers, but "No one wants to talk about money," Munson quips mysteriously.

Munson says he doesn't have a permit to keep the house vacant; he hadn't realized he needed one. "I suppose the city wants to fine me. I better get moving." But he also questions the need for such a permit. "If I'm paying the tax on it and it's not hazardous to anyone, why do they have to put their nose where it doesn't belong?" he asks. "Probably the Politburo has some reason."

76-78 CHERRY ST.

A faded demolition permit hangs in the window of the two-story house at 76-78 Cherry Street, offering a clue as to how long the fate of the vacant duplex has been in question — it's dated June 5, 2000. Weeds have gone wild in the front garden. An open can of cat food sits out back, beside an empty pack of Marlboros and a cardboard box that once contained a case of Natural Lite Ice. But the Catholic Church, which owns the property, appears to be complying with the city's vacancy ordinance. The bay windows are covered by transparent sheets of plastic, and none of the windows is broken.

The Diocese wants to tear the house down, but the city is challenging them in court. Joe Bauer, the Diocese's attorney and spokesman, declined to comment on the case.

Brian Pine of CEDO explains that he'd like to see the house preserved. "It's in phenomenal condition inside," he says. "It would make a gem of a house that you could not build today for less than $400,000." Pine says the city would like to move the house to Cowley Street, to a lot owned by the Burlington Community Land Trust. Once there, it could serve as lead-safe housing for families whose homes are undergoing lead abatement.

But Pine admits that his dream of moving the house is fading. He found out last week that the initial estimate of $30,000 to move the house has doubled. He suggests the City Council could still "go to the mat" and make an effort to save it. But he concedes that the fight might be nearing a finish. "At some point," he says, "you just have to throw up your hands and say we did the best we could."

97 DUNDER RD.

Vacant houses aren't confined to the city's Old North End — the shell of an unfinished house sits empty among the elegantly landscaped yards of Dunder Road, in Howard Dean's swanky South Cove neighborhood. According to the 2005 Of Grand List, the house across the street is worth more than $600,000. Don Albertson, the owner of 97 Dunder Road, apparently halted construction on the house some time ago. Reached at his home on Pine Street, he declined to comment on the unfinished house, except to say that his family has been through a "tough chapter in our lives" involving the death of a loved one. "We're working on the process," he says.

Albertson is in compliance with the city's vacant building ordinance. He objected to being included in this article. "Let the city resolve the issues," he says.

Judd Allen, who's trying to sell his house next door, says he hasn't heard any feedback about the lot from potential buyers. He thinks highly of Albertson and even admits, "It's kinda pleasant to have all those woods next to me," though he knows that other neighbors may feel differently. Allen, who is leaving the street after 14 years, says Albertson's house was unfinished when he moved there.

60 RIVERSIDE AVE.

City attorney Gene Bergman lists a structure at 60 Riverside Avenue, owned by Vermont Gas, among Burlington's vacant buildings. But Vermont Gas spokesman Jim Condos, a Democratic State Senator, points out that the tiny brick building has never had any occupants. "It's more of a storage shed," he says. "It's so tiny someone here described it as 'less than the size of my office.'" And Condos says the city has yet to complain about it. "The city has not contacted us in any way," he says.

The building is barely even visible behind the lush summer vegetation. It might be a coincidence that on a recent Sunday night, a soggy wallet has been discarded in front of it, with its contents — a number of credit cards and a Social Security card — strewn on the ground.

56 WARD ST.

According to neighbors, this single-family home became vacant more than a year ago after the death of its owner, Lucille Bouffard. The fences are now sagging and the yard is often overgrown, but current owner Daniel Bouffard has yet to apply for a permit. He did not return phone calls for this story.

City Councilor Tim Ashe recently notified the Code Enforcement Office of its existence. "Some neighbors pointed out that it's a code violation," he says. "I called the code department to get the process rolling on the constituents' behalf. They just sent me a thing in the mail a week and a half ago that said they'd look into it."

308 SHELBURNE RD. (PANDA INN)

Broken water glasses litter the floor, and the plastic display stands are still on the tables at the former site of the Chinese restaurant where Davis Chan murdered his business partner in 1999. Profanity-laced graffiti that covers the building's backside includes a legend that reads, "We slept here."

Steve Donoghue of Pomerleau Real Estate confirms that Kinney Drugs bought this property three weeks ago and has begun seeking permits to build a drugstore on the site. Spokespeople for Kinney Drugs did not return phone calls for this article.

280 NORTH WINOOSKI AVE.

No one is exactly sure how long this little white house has been vacant, but Laurie Smith, who owns 174 North Winooski Avenue, says he can't remember anyone being there since the mid-1980s. Smith says the house contributes to the "continued downtrodden perspective of the Old North End." It's certainly contributed to the downward trajectory of vehicles in Smith's parking lot — Smith says he's been waiting to fix the enormous pothole until he can be sure he won't have to fix it again if the vacant building is demolished.

The landlord, who lives in Shelburne, has been trying to buy the property from another absentee owner, Clark Hinsdale Jr. of Charlotte, for four years. The hold-up? "It's taken so long for two reasons," Smith admits. "One is Clark Hinsdale, the other is me."

Smith says things have been moving slowly because his computer was stolen six weeks ago with all of his drawings for the site. But he says Hinsdale has gummed up the works with "deal breakers" before. According to Burlington's 2005-06 Grand List, Hinsdale owns 29 properties in Burlington, worth upwards of $16.25 million. Of these, the property at 280 North Winooski Avenue is the least valuable — it's worth just $107,000, mostly for the land it's on. The house is valued at $13,000.

Rebecca Becker, residential property manager at Hinsdale Properties, assures the deal will happen soon. "It's been a long process, but it's nearing an end," she says.

Smith is less confident. "It has been imminent before. I was told two years ago that I would have a signed deal on my desk in 24 hours." Meanwhile, the building's demolition permit expired in 2004, and it's not up to code. According to the city, Hinsdale has not applied for a permit.

Says Smith, "Theoretically, as soon as the city gives its blessing and Clark gives his blessing, we're ready to close. It's going to get done when it gets done."

365 SHELBURNE RD. (LITTLE CAESAR'S)

The little Roman guy vanished from Little Caesar's eons ago, and no one has moved in to take his place. The property was initially purchased by Rite Aid, along with two other buildings on the corner of Flynn Avenue and Shelburne Road. But their plans for a drugstore fell through. Two years ago, the company sold the buildings to Burlington Subaru, which plans to demolish them and expand on the site.

Dave Birmingham, who co-owns the Subaru dealership, says the business has been "taking our time. It's quite an expensive proposition." In the meantime, he says, they've been maintaining and patrolling the site. They've also used the buildings for Fire Department life-saving trainings, and have leant them to the South End Art Hop, which has used them for exhibition space. Birmingham notes that one building was opened to graffiti artists, who created a colorful display. "It's pretty cool."

In the best-case scenario, Birmingham says, construction will begin this fall. Worst case, next spring. "It's difficult to book construction workers in the summer season," he says.

299 INTERVALE RD. (ABARE HOUSE)

The pockmarked dirt road leading into the Intervale is a long way from Church Street, but it's still within Burlington city limits. That means the decrepit Abare House is still subject to city ordinances. The Intervale Foundation owns the 100-plus-year-old home last occupied by Arthur Abare. The foundation purchased the property in 1959 from the city — which purchased it in 1977 — and has long planned to incorporate it into their urban farmscape.

But the house is falling down. City officials and the Burlington Police Department say it's dangerous; two months ago, the foundation erected a tall barbed-wire fence to keep out animals and transients. Now Tom Nash of the BPD says, "It's getting better."

Intervale Executive Director Kit Perkins says the foundation would still like to use the house, or at least components of it. She recently wrote a grant proposal to fund the project. "We're doing everything we can to make sure it's safe and secure," she says.

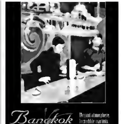
180 PINE ST.

According to city land records, this two-story single-family brick house, which sits behind a 8-foot chain-link fence, is more than 100 years old. In February, BankNorth sold the property to Redstone, which is eager to redevelop the site. Redstone co-owner Doug Nedde says the company plans to keep the historic house and subdivide it into apartments next spring.

101 MAIN ST.

This 20,000-square-foot brick landmark at the corner of Main Street and Pine has been vacant since 2003, when it was gutted in a fire. Built in 1904, it has been used as the National Guard Armory, an auto showroom, a roller skating rink, an exhibition hall, the legendary music venue Hunt's, and the Sh-Na-Na's club. Until recently, it was owned by Higher Ground's Alex Crothers and Anna Rosenblum, formerly of The Waiting Room. They sold the property two weeks ago to Redstone. "After the fire happened, we just realized it was a massive undertaking," says Crothers.

Redstone co-owner Doug Nedde says the company will redevelop the building soon. They're in talks with two businesses looking to rent the space, "most likely for offices," Miller insists.



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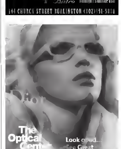

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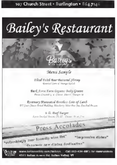

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WATCHING THE WHEELS

Cycling enthusiasts and fans of Canadian roots-rock will have the best of both worlds at the Harpoon Point to Point and Community Ride, which kicks off Saturday, August 13, at 8 a.m. at the Harpoon Brewery in Windsor, Vermont, and ends with a 6 p.m. **Blue Rodeo** concert at Burlington's Battery Park.

Blue Rodeo's blend of Beatles-esque pop, **Gram Parsons**-influenced country and down-home folk has made them one of Canada's musical institutions. They have a new album due next month, and their Battery Park gig will serve as a warm-up for an upcoming tour.

Sponsored by WNCS The Point and the aforementioned brewmeisters, Saturday's two-wheeled excursion is a benefit for the Vermont Foodbank, which provides meals to needy families throughout the state. Folks who are past training wheels but aren't exactly Lance Armstrong will have three different routes to choose from. The longest, at 120 miles, runs from the Windsor start point all the way to Burlington's waterfront. There's a 50-mile trek from the food bank's farm to the Queen City, as well as a 10-mile community cruise through Burlington. As a symbolic gesture, participants will take turns handing off a backpack filled with a day's worth of food for a family of four.

BLUE RODEO

While it's too late to sign up for the ride, you can still party with those who did. The family-friendly Battery Park shindig will feature not only the Blue Rodeo set, but plenty of Harpoon ale — which, of course, is only for certain members of the household. A $15 admission charge gets you into the show as well as one complimentary beer or soda. If you decide to continue imbibing, you'll be glad to know that 100 percent of the proceeds from all beer and soda sales will go directly to the Foodbank. Ride on.

NEWS FLASH: BURLINGTON A HIP COLLEGE TOWN

Depending on your politics, *Rolling Stone* magazine is either a pillar of American music culture or a corporate tabloid with lots of skin and a handful of record reviews. If you ask me, they should've closed up shop after striking **Hunter S. Thompson**'s name from the Current Affairs Desk.

Regardless of their current hipness factor, the perennial publication still has an impact on those remaining twentysomethings who get information from non-digital sources. Some of them might even be looking for the right "party school" to attend this fall. In order to facilitate their decision-making process, those savvy culture vultures at *RS* have put together a list of "Schools That Rock," and our little burg, with its live music scene and educational options, makes the cut. Or at least second string: Burlington is relegated to a sidebar under the heading "Best Lil' College Towns." The short blurb proclaims, "Burlington brings together the best qualities of small-town life and big-city cosmopolitanism." As you might have guessed, it also mentions **Phish** — who, despite their non-existence, still have a strong gravitational pull.

With lines such as "You might find that the cutie in your psych class likes **The Strokes** as much as you do," the article is fairly silly. It's also a not-so-subtle editorial ploy to get you to buy their recently published book of the same name. Still, it's cool to know that your hometown is more rockin' than, say, Branson, Missouri — home of washed-up country stars and that '80s Soviet comedian **Yakov Smirnoff**. Maybe, if we all try extra-hard, we can beat Chapel Hill, North Carolina, next year.

EVERYBODY MUST GET STONE

Fresh from his Seven Days win for Best Instrumentalist, that banjo-pickin', pedal-steel-slinging phenom **Gordon Stone** is on the move. He and his young group of funkgrass outlaws have been racking up the miles lately, playing gigs throughout New England. On Friday, August 12, Stone will lend his prodigious musical skills to aid the **Intervale Foundation**, a nonprofit promoting the development of agricultural enterprises along the Winooski River. I guess nothing says "grow your own" like a heaping helping of mutant bluegrass.

Joining the Gordon Stone Band for the event will be central Vermont's **Green Bucket Boys**, which feature another longtime grass addict, **Doug Perkins**. The show takes place in a recently restored, 120-year-old horse barn behind the Rena Calkins Homestead. Hope they didn't restore the manure.

Food will be provided by fellow Daysie winner American Flatbread, as well as Sugarsnap, a local restaurant and catering company that uses Intervale farm-grown produce in their eats. Talk about fresh. Admission is $10, unless you're 6 or under, in which case you're in for free. Email [illegible]@yahoo.com for more information.

BIG-BAND BONANZA

Vermont's gem of a big band, the **Vermont Jazz Ensemble**, has secured an August residency at Halvorson's Upstreet Café in Burlington. The 17-piece group features five woodwinds, four trombones, four trumpets, drums, bass, piano and guitar. They must have separate transportation for gigs, or a bus. With an energetic repertoire of jazz, Latin, fusion and pop-ish styles, the band has become a mainstay of the Green Mountain jazz community.

The 25-year-old VJE boasts 30 associate members who fill in for charter members when they miss an event due to scheduling conflicts or illness. Wish I had that kind of backing. As per an agreement reached in 1975, these jazz enthusiasts still get together every two weeks to rehearse. Now that's commitment. Their Church Street gig takes place every Monday at 7 p.m. in the spacious back room of Halvorson's. So stop by, get your dance on, and show your support for one of the state's longest-running musical acts.

COVENTRY GETS IRIE

The long-running **Vermont Roots Reggae Festival** has switched to a new location this year. Taking place in Coventry, Vermont, on August 12 and 13, the event brings 20-plus local and international reggae acts together for a good-vibe, family-friendly outdoor concert experience. Those who remember slogging through the mud at Phish's farewell show might not be eager to repeat the experience, but what are the chances of that happening again? On second thought, let's not tempt fate.

Featuring big-name island acts such as **Turbulence**, **Gosie Bellimore**, **Jah Cutta**, and **The Meditations**, the festival will keep attendees skankin' all day and night. "This is really a labor of love," says organizer **Mike Lee**. "There's a lot of politics in getting this together, but we're finally all ready to go." Tickets are available through the Flynn Center Box Office, online at http://www.flynntix.org, or by calling 86-FLYNN. Don't forget your rubbers.

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TOP HAT KARAOKE, 135 Pearl, 9 p.m. NC.

SONNY & PERLEY (international cabaret), Leunig's, 7 p.m. NC.

CERCADIA (Irish), Ri Ra Irish Pub, 7 p.m. NC.

JEN HARTSWICK BAND (jazz, funk, soul), Red Square, 8 p.m. NC, followed by **MEMBERS ONLY WITH FATTIE B.** ('80s DJ), 11 p.m. NC.

BARDLINE (sax, guitar), 1/2 Lounge, 8 p.m. NC.

SUNDAY PACK, RAIN & SIGN (rock), Nectar's, 9:30 p.m. NC.

BASTARD SONS OF JOHNNY CASH, CHUCK (alt-country, rockabilly, speedwestern), Club Metronome, 10 p.m. $10.

OPEN MIKE WITH ANDY LUGO & DJ TRANSPLANTE, Manhattan Pizza & Pub, 10 p.m. NC.

ELECTRICLADYLAND (drum & bass DJs), Second Floor, 10 p.m. $2/7. 18+ before 11 p.m.

DAVE HARRISON'S STARSTRUCK KARAOKE, JP's Pub, 10 p.m. NC.

SIDESHOW BOB (rock), Breakwater Cafe, 5:30 p.m. NC.

OPEN MIKE, Geno's Karaoke Club, from 8 p.m. NC.

champlain valley

LADIES' NIGHT, City Limits, 9 p.m. NC.

central

JAY EKIS (worldbeat, rock singer-songwriter), Charlie O's, 10 p.m. NC.

OPEN MIKE, Langdon St. Cafe, 7 p.m. NC.

OPEN MIKE WITH LANCE MILLS, Middle Earth, 8 p.m. $3.

northern

OPEN MIKE WITH PETE & DAVE, Monopole, 9 p.m. NC.

OPEN MIKE, Overtime Saloon, 9 p.m. NC.

FRED BAUER (singer-songwriter), Bee's Knees, 7:30 p.m. NC.

ABBY JENNE & STACY STARKWEATHER (rock singer-songwriters), Shed Restaurant & Brewery, 8 p.m. NC.

THU.11

burlington area

SHANE HARDIMAN TRIO (jazz), Radio Bean, 7 p.m. NC, followed by **MONO PRIX** (rock), 10 p.m. NC, followed by **RED 4** (rock), 11 p.m. NC.

ARI TULMAN-COHEN JAZZ GROUP, Parima, 7 p.m. NC.

QUEEN CITY ROCK (DJs), 135 Pearl, 10 p.m. NC.

FRIENDS OF JOE WITH PAUL ASBELL, LARRY MCCROREY (blues, jazz), Halvorson's, 8 p.m. NC.

ELLEN POWELL & DAN SKEA (jazz), Leunig's, 7 p.m. NC.

THE BIG OTHER (rock), Ri Ra Irish Pub, 10 p.m. NC.

FATTIE B. & DJ A-DOG (live hip-hop), Red Square, 10 p.m. NC.

JAMES KOCHALKA SUPERSTAR (acoustic rock), 1/2 Lounge, 9 p.m. NC.

ROOTS OF CREATION (reggae), Nectar's, 10 p.m. NC.

DEAD COWBOYS (Grateful Dead covers, country), Club Metronome, 9:30 p.m. $3.

TOP HAT ENTERTAINMENT DANCE PARTY (hip-hop, r&b DJs), Rasputina, 10 p.m. NC.

BANG BANG WITH DJ JAH RED (reggae, reggaeton), Second Floor, 10 p.m. $5/NC. 18+ before 11 p.m.

C-LOW (hip-hop DJ), Ruben James, 10 p.m. NC.

JESSE CHAMPAGNE (singer-songwriter), Upper Deck Pub, Windjammer, 7 p.m. NC.

GORDON STONE BAND (funkgrass), Bayside Beach Park, Colchester, 7 p.m. NC.

KARAOKE, Geno's Karaoke Club, from 8 p.m. NC.

SUPERSOUNDS DJ (dance party, game show), Lincoln Inn Tavern, 8 p.m. NC.

KARAOKE WITH REX, Franny O's, 9 p.m. NC.

central

OCE TIME SESSIONS, Langdon St. Café, 8 p.m. NC.

ROO MOUSE QUARTET (jazz), Black Door Bar & Bistro, 9 p.m. $3.

THE SOPHIA KINGS (alt-country, Americana), Middle Earth, 8:30 p.m. $5.

northern

MARK ABAIR & THE METROS (classic rock), Sam's Harmony Pub, 9 p.m. NC.

LADIES' NIGHT WITH DJS ROBBY ROB & SKIPPY (hip-hop, r&b), Tabu Café & Nightclub, 9 p.m. NC.

EL BUCK WITH THE SHAMELESS STRANGERS (rock), Monopole, 9 p.m. NC.

THE ROSE TATTOO (folk, Americana), Music Box, 8 p.m. $10.

JAY EKIS & GUDY BAUTH (worldbeat, rock singer-songwriters), Bee's Knees, 7:30 p.m.

LADIES' NIGHT (Sweet Obsession DJ), Naked Turtle, 9:30 p.m. NC.

FRI.12

burlington area

GEOFF KIM & CO. (jazz), Radio Bean, 7 p.m. NC, followed by **SONS OF DAWN** (rock), 9 p.m. NC, followed by **ALEX WILSON** (singer-songwriter), 11 p.m. NC.

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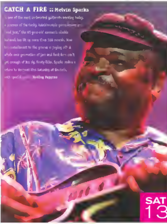

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DANCE PARTY WITH DJ HECTOR (salsa, merengue), 10 p.m. NC.
DJ PRECIOUS (techno, dance), 135 Pearl, 10 p.m. $5.
RODNEY (rock), Sweetwaters, 9 p.m. NC.
DJ COREY (hip-hop), Ri Ra Irish Pub, 10 p.m. NC.
DJ A-DOG (roots-reggae), Red Square, 5 p.m. NC, followed by **BRIGHTWINGS** (alt rock), 8 p.m. $3, followed by **NASTEE** (hip-hop), midnight. $3.
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DJN & COG, SELECTAH MESSENJAH & SPECIAL GUESTS (reggae), Club Metronome, 10 p.m. NC.
TOP HAT DANCETERIA (DJs), Rasputin's, 10 p.m. $3.
FLAVA WITH DJS ROBBIE J, TOXIC (hip-hop, R&B, reggae), Second Floor, 9 p.m. $3/10. 18+ before 11 p.m.
HIP-HOP, REGGAE, DANCEHALL DJS, Ruben James, 10 p.m. NC.
DAVE HARRISON'S STARSTRUCK KARAOKE, JP's Pub, 10 p.m. NC.
ANDRIC SEVERANCE TRIO (jazz), Wine Bar at Wine Works, 8 p.m. NC.
ANTONY SANTOR TRIO (jazz), Opus Grill, 5:30 p.m. NC.
MADERA (nuevo Flamenco), Roque's, 5:30 p.m. NC.
NOBBY REED PROJECT (blues-rock), Breakwater Cafe, 6 p.m. NC.
KARAOKE KAPERS (host Rich Holyoke), St. John's Club, 7 p.m. NC.
HOT BUTTERED RUM STRING BAND, JUGTOWN PIRATES OF LAKE CHAMPLAIN (newgrass, jug), Higher Ground Showcase Lounge, $7/10. 18+.
KARAOKE WITH MR. DJ, Champlain Lanes Family Fun Center, 8:30 p.m. NC. AA.
KARAOKE WITH PETER BOARDMAN, Backstage Pub, 9 p.m. NC.
REBECCA PADULA (singer-songwriter), Trackside Tavern, 5 p.m. NC, followed by **STARLINE RHYTHM BOYS** (honky-tonk, rockabilly), 8 p.m. NC.
SUPERSOUNDS DJ (dance party, game show), Lincoln Inn Tavern, 9 p.m. NC.
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REVELRY IN THE RED BARN WITH JENNI JOHNSON & THE JUNKETEERS (soul, jazz, r&b, [illegible]), Inn at Baldwin Creek, 6:30 p.m. $30.

GARRISON KEILLOR'S A PRAIRIE HOME COMPANION RHUBARB TOUR (variety show), Shelburne Green, 6:30 p.m. $52/55. AA.

central

REVES NOIR, Charlie O's, 10 p.m. NC.

CHRIS TITCHNER (singer-songwriter), Langdon St. Café, 8 p.m. NC, followed by **MANTIS, JERKOFF JACKOFF FRIGGACE, JOHNNY HOOD & THE FREIGHT TRAINS** (acoustic punk), 10 p.m. NC.

DAN GORDON (singer-songwriter), Charlie O's, 10 p.m. NC.

JIM BRANCA (blues, singer-songwriter), Black Door Bar & Bistro, 9:30 p.m. $5.

SWEET POTATO KINGS (blues), Purple Moon Pub, 7 p.m. $5.

BROOKS WILLIAMS (singer-songwriter), Middle Earth, 8:30 p.m. $12.

northern

PIANO BAR, Overtime Saloon, 7:30 p.m. NC.

JAPHY RYDER (funk jam), Monopole, 9 p.m. NC.

VIP LADIES' NIGHT WITH DJ SKIPPY (top 40, r&b, reggae), Tabu Café & Nightclub, 9 p.m. NC. 18+.

SMOKING GUNS (rock), Rusty Nail, 10 p.m. $5.

JAMIE NORTARTHOMAS (folk singer-songwriter), Naked Turtle, 5 p.m. NC, followed by **BOSS MAFIA** (rock), 9:30 p.m. NC.

ABBY JENNE & STACY STARKWEATHER (rock singer-songwriters), Bee's Knees, 7:30 p.m. NC.

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European Gourmet, 81 Main St., Burlington, 863-8467.
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Ruben James, 159 Main St., Burlington, 864-0744.
Rusty Nail, Mountain Rd., Stowe, 253-6245.
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SAT.13

burlington area

LISA CAPRICE (singer-songwriter), Radio Bean, 7 p.m. NC, followed by **CHRIS TITCHNER** (singer-songwriter), 8 p.m. NC, followed by **HOOKER ST BAND** (eclectic), 9 p.m. NC, followed by **TAYLOG & VOLANT** (indie-rock), 10 p.m. NC.

TASTE WITH DJ CRAIG MITCHELL (dance, house), 135 Pearl, 10 p.m. $5.

DREAMLAND (jazz), Sweetwaters, 9 p.m. NC.

THE CONFLAIRS (rock), Ri Ra Irish Pub, 10 p.m. NC.

DJ A-DOG (hip-hop), Red Square, 5 p.m. NC, followed by **OSBORNE THE JAZZ GUYS** (alt rock), 8 p.m. $3, followed by **DJ A DOG** (hip-hop), midnight, $3.

KIP MEAKER (blues), 1/2 Lounge, 7 p.m. NC.

MELVIN SPARKS BAND, ROLLING PAPTHUS (acid jazz, fusion), Nectar's, 9:30 p.m. $3.

RETRONOME ('70s-'80s DJs), Club Metronome, 10 p.m. $3.

MASSIVE (DJs), Rasputin's, 10 p.m. $3.

REWIND WITH DJS DONNIE J., XJ EVANS ('70s-'90s hip-hop, r&b), Second Floor, 9 p.m. $3/10. 18+ before 11 p.m.

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THE MANSFIELD PROJECT (classic rock) Breakwater Café, 5 p.m. NC.
MIKE PELKEY & MARC GRISSON (acoustic) B.U. Emporium, 8:30 p.m. NC.
KARAOKE, Geno's Karaoke Club, from 8 p.m. NC.
DARK HORSE (rock) Backstage Pub, 9 p.m. NC.
KARAOKE WITH REX, Franny O's, 9 p.m. $3.

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SUPERSOUNDS DJ Bob Hill Restaurant, 10:15 p.m. NC.
COOPER & LAVOIE (pop, r&b) Two Brothers Tavern, 8:30 p.m. NC.
DANCE PARTY (DJ) City Limits, 9 p.m. NC.

central

ABBY JENNE (rock singer-songwriter) Charlie O's, 9:30 p.m. NC.
THE MORROW (indie-rock) Langdon St. Café, 9 p.m. NC, followed by **CIRKESTRA** (circus music) 10 p.m. NC.
LASLO LAMBO (electric roots) Black Door Bar & Bistro, 9:30 p.m. $5.
CHINCHILLA DUST BATH (acoustic rock) Purple Moon Pub, 8:30 p.m. $3.
JENNI JOHNSON & THE JUNKETEERS (soul, jazz, r&b) Valley Players Theater, Waitsfield, 7 p.m. $22/25.
MICHAEL HAHN (singer-songwriter), Middle Earth, 8:30 p.m. $8.

northern

RENEE & JEFF (singer-songwriters) Overtime Saloon, 8 p.m. NC.
SINGBUNGERS (rock) Monopole, 8 p.m. NC.
ALL NIGHT DANCE PARTY WITH DJ TOXIC (hip-hop, top 40, house, reggae) Tabu Café & Nightclub, 5 p.m.-4 a.m. NC. 18+

CARL STANTON (blues singer-songwriter) Bee's Knees, 7:30 p.m. NC.
BAY CITY ROLLERS WITH IAN MITCHELL (pop-rock) Rusty Nail, 10 p.m. $10.
PULSE (r&b) Naked Turtle, 9:30 p.m. NC.
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SUN.14

burlington area

OLD-TIME SESSIONS (traditional) Radio Bean, from 1 p.m. NC, followed by **F.A.F.** (rock) 6:30 p.m. NC, followed by **THE WOWS** (indie) 9 p.m. NC, followed by **PARIS ST.** (eclectic) 11 p.m. NC.
DJ CRAIG MITCHELL & PRECIOUS (dance, house) 135 Pearl, 10 p.m. NC.
OPEN BAND NIGHT Nectar's, 9 p.m. NC.
SUNDAY NIGHT MASS (techno, dance) Club Metronome, 10 p.m. NC.
TEEN NITE WITH DJ BIG RYE (hip-hop, r&h, reggae) Second Floor, 8 p.m. $10. Ages 13-17.
DJ BIG DOG & DEMUS (reggae, dancehall) Rasputin's, 10 p.m. NC.
LIVE PIANO MUSIC, Opus Grill, 11 a.m. NC.
WOODEN FISH (rock 'n' roll) Breakwater Café, 4 p.m. NC.
WEST COAST SWINGERS (vocal jazz, brunch) Northern Lights Cruise, King St. Ferry Dock, Burlington, noon. $19.
KARAOKE Geno's Karaoke Club, from 8 p.m. NC.
KARAOKE WITH PETER BOARDMAN Backstage Pub, 8 p.m. NC.

KARAOKE WITH BONNIE, Lincoln Inn Tavern, 9 p.m. NC.

champlain valley

FRED BARNES JAZZ BRUNCH (piano) Two Brothers Tavern, 11:30 a.m. NC.
JENNI JOHNSON & THE JUNKETEERS Basin Harbor Club, 12:30 p.m. NC.

central

PARKER SHPER TRIO (jazz) Langdon St. Café, 8 p.m. NC.
JAZZ IN TRACKS, BRUCE SKLAR QUARTET The Pitcher Inn, 7 p.m. NC.

northern

CHRIS TITCHNER (singer-songwriter) Bee's Knees, 7:30 p.m. NC.

MON.15

burlington area

OPEN MIKE Radio Bean, 8 p.m. NC.
VT JAZZ ENSEMBLE Halvorson's, 7:30 p.m. $3.
DAVE GRIPPO FUNK BAND Red Square, 10 p.m. NC.
SOUL SKILLET WITH DJ CRAIG MITCHELL, 1/2 Lounge, 10 p.m. NC.
'93 TIL WITH DJ A-DOG & RUSSELL (hip-hop) Nectar's, 9:30 p.m. NC.
FATTIE B. ('80s DJ) Breakwater Café, 5 p.m. NC.
KRIDG, MEWITHOUTYOU, VEDA (metalcore) Higher Ground Showcase Lounge, 8 p.m. $10/12. AA.
MUSIC MACHINE WITH DJ TRANSPLANTE (eclectic) The Monkey House, 10 p.m. NC.

northern

OPEN MIKE Sam's Harmony Pub, 7 p.m. NC.
JERRY LAVENE (jazz guitar) Chow! Bella, 6:30 p.m. NC.

TUE.16

burlington area

GUA GUA (psychotropical) Radio Bean, 6 p.m. NC, followed by **ERIC ABOTTE, TOTALLY MICHAEL STROM** (singer-songwriter, eclectic) 9 p.m. NC, followed by **HONKY TONK SESSIONS**, 10 p.m. NC.
NOTES FROM UNDERGROUND (Gypsy jazz) Leunig's, 7 p.m. NC.
BASHMENT WITH DEMUS & SUPER K (reggae, dancehall) Red Square, 9 p.m. NC.
THE OTHER HALF WITH DJ A-DOG (downtempo) 10 p.m. NC.
JOCKO HORSEY & THE INDIVIDUALS, CRAZY HEARTS, MICKEY WESTERN (rock, country, rockabilly) Nectar's, 9 p.m. NC.
SLAID CLEAVES, LAUREN SHERA (singer-songwriters) Higher Ground Ballroom, 8 p.m. $12/14. AA.

champlain valley

LADIES' NIGHT City Limits, 9 p.m. NC.
DR. JACK (solo acoustic) Two Brothers Tavern, 8:30 p.m. NC.

central

LEE CLARK (jazz) The Lounge at Main Street Grill, 7 p.m. NC.

northern

KARAOKE WITH SASSY Monopole, 9 p.m. NC.
CHRIS LYON (singer-songwriter) Bee's Knees, 7:30 p.m. NC.

WED.17

burlington area

LITTLE MOUNTAIN IRISH SESSIONS Radio Bean, 9 p.m. NC.
PINE STREET JAZZ WITH JULIET MCVICKER, Parima, 7 p.m. NC.
TOP HAT KARAOKE, 135 Pearl, 9 p.m. NC.

COMBO 37 (swing, Musette) Leunig's, 7 p.m. NC.
CIRCADIA (Irish) Ri Rá Irish Pub, 7 p.m. NC.
SWALE (alt rock) Red Square, 8 p.m. NC, followed by **MEMBERS ONLY WITH FATTIE B.** ('80s DJ), 11 p.m. NC.
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MARCUS GARVEY BIRTHDAY BASH WITH DJ BRINGO, KHARI HILL WITH SOLOMONIC SOUND, LION PRIDE SOUND (reggae, dancehall) Club Metronome, 10 p.m. $10.
OPEN MIKE WITH ANDY LUGO & DJ TRANSPLANTE Manhattan Pizza & Pub, 10 p.m. NC.
DIRTY BLONDES, THE WARDS, YES J.C. & THE DEMOLITION BOYS, RAMBASAURUS REX (punk-rock) Second Floor, 8 p.m. $5. 18+
DAVE HARRISON'S STARSTRUCK KARAOKE JP's Pub, 10 p.m. NC.
OPEN MIKE Geno's Karaoke Club, from 8 p.m. NC.

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LADIES' NIGHT City Limits, 9 p.m. NC.

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RUGE BOX (blues), Charlie O's, 10 p.m. NC.
OPEN MIKE Langdon St. Café, 7 p.m. NC.
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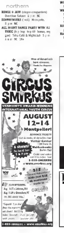
OPEN MIKE WITH PETE & DAVE Monopole, 9 p.m. NC.
OPEN MIKE Overtime Saloon, 8 p.m. NC.
POPEFINGER (rock) Shed Restaurant & Brewery, 8 p.m. NC. ☺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CHRIS TITCHNER, *MOVING DAY*

(Bridgefolk Records, CD)

Ex-Burlington and current North Carolina resident Chris Titchner's easygoing folk-rock combines the self-confessional stance of modern singer-songwriters with the driving jangle of early '80s alt-rock. While this is hardly a new confection, Titchner's latest, *Moving Day*, boasts some strong pop melodies. Unfortunately, Titchner plays it too safe, employing tired anthems and paint-by-numbers song construction.

Opener "Bad, Bad Way" kicks off with an inoffensive chord progression and tumbling drum fill before settling into a prosaic pop-rock groove. Titchner's lyrics are likewise pedestrian: "I'm in a bad, bad way / And I'm too tired to fight / But I think that I'll be OK if I can make it through tonight." Commonplace poetics such as these work best when used sparingly, but Titchner lays it on pretty thick. "It's too dark outside / and underneath my skin / now we've run out of things to say, and you won't let me in," he continues.

With its tremolo guitar and gentle country lilt, "Dead End Job" is a smooth production, nicely augmented by Titchner's sweet, gravelly voice. His tragicomic description of workplace banality is eventually fleshed out with a full horn section. The tune is truly a "fanfare for the common man" — a play-by-play account of personal pathos.

"North Carolina" recounts an attempt to salvage a relationship. In it, the protagonist suggests impromptu travel as a romantic remedy. Like many of the songs on *Moving Day*, its chief concern is escape: "Doesn't need to be complicated / Doesn't need to cause you stress / We'll just quit those jobs we hated / And leave no forwarding address," he sings. Mournful strings and spot-on harmonies by guest vocalist Leslie Titchner contribute to the track's delicate grace.

Sheets of ambient sound color the pensive piano chords of "Here's to Another Year." Regrettably, the cut subsequently devolves into a cliché power ballad, with huge drum fills telegraphing each oversized chorus. Titchner sounds sincere, but his cloying wordplay sticks to the same "woe is me" routine favored by everyone from Edwin McCain to Coldplay. "Model Planes" fares slightly better, largely due to its snaky, minor-key intro. Loaded with soft-rock splendor, the cut retains enough instrumental variation to keep things interesting.

Titchner has a strong grasp of pop songcraft, but his creations never escape generic sentimentality. Much of *Moving Day* feels like a road trip in your driveway. Next time, I hope he hits some open highway. You can hear him live Friday, August 12, at Montpelier's Langdon St. Café; Saturday, August 13, at Radio Bean in Burlington; and Sunday, August 14, at the Bees Knees in Morrisville.

CASEY REA

KEN CLARK TRIO, *MUTUAL RESPECT*

(Severn Records, CD)

Vermont is home to some high-quality jazz musicians, many of them living in and around Burlington. But plenty of hot players can be found outside the city limits, such as South Hero's B-3 organ maestro Ken Clark. His latest, *Mutual Respect*, is his second for Severn Records, a Maryland-based blues-and-jazz imprint. On it, he and his trio deliver 12 absolutely smoldering tracks of funky organ jazz.

In addition to Clark, the group features Mike Mele on guitar and Steve Chaggaris on drums. These former Berklee students have been developing their "swing and funk" sound since 1992. While their rhythms are reminiscent of traditional B-3 outfits such as Big John Patton and Jimmy McGriff, they infuse their tunes with modern Medeski, Martin and Wood-style micro-grooves.

Opener "K-Mart Special" slinks in with a Steely Dan-goes-organ-grinder vibe. The track boasts some tasty guitar by Mele, whose playing is very much in the tradition of six-string stalwarts Wes Montgomery and George Benson. Mele follows this winning formula on several other tracks including "For Now," "I Just Woke Up" and the title track.

Clark's compelling bass pedal footwork sits right in the pocket, occasionally splashing out into a whirlwind of pure organ funkiness. Tracks such as "For Now" and "Influence" kept me nodding my head and riding each groove.

In addition to these displays of energetic funkosity, Clark and company are also competent storytellers as they prove on the mystically atmospheric "Kata" and the equally hypnotic "Nocturne." This dynamic gear-shifting displays the band's keen versatility.

The organ trio format has enjoyed a resurgence over the last few years, with artists such as Tony Monaco and Joey DeFrancesco charging forward while still honoring the past. The Ken Clark Trio keeps this momentum going; their tight package of original funk, groove and soul stands up well alongside the work of organ titans past and present. You can hear them live at Snow Farm Vineyard in South Hero on Thursday, August 11.

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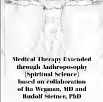

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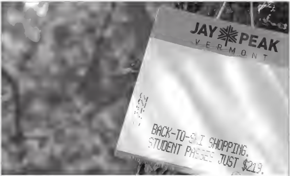

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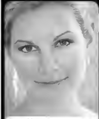

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Down in the Valley

EXHIBIT
"A Splash of Color," abstract paintings by Leah Konecny and tapestries by Mary Hill. Northern Power Systems, Waitsfield. Through October 7.

ARTWORK
"Abstract III" by Leah Konecny

PHOTO
Marc Awodey

Not many visual-art venues have a 100-foot tall windmill and solar panels in their front yard, but the headquarters of Northern Power Systems in Waitsfield isn't a typical venue. The art appears on two spacious levels of the efficiently well-lit building. Its current show, entitled "A Splash of Color," will remain on the company's ample walls until the height of the fall foliage season. By then the vibrant hues created by central Vermont artists Mary Hill and Leah Konecny will have plenty of chromatic competition.

Konecny is an abstractionist, yet several of her paintings have narrative content in the form of cursive writings etched into the wet paint. "Litany" is a multi-panel piece consisting of irregularly spaced small canvases with cursive writing illegibly scrawled into layers of pale green. The greens were glazed over underpaintings of warm purples and reds, which rise up through the cloudy surfaces.

Konecny's multi-paneled paintings are her most intriguing. "Red Series" is a congregation of five canvases arranged with the two largest paintings anchoring each end and three smaller square pieces hung vertically in the middle of the group. All are energetically painted fields of crimson, vermilion and other reds slashed and smeared into the picture planes.

"Abstract III" is a 30-by-36-inch canvas with vertical sections. Greens fill the left and blues the middle, and a red rectangle within a white field is positioned at right. Again Konecny has scraped lines into the surfaces of some areas, while elsewhere the canvas is just delicately painted. Almost invisible layers of dripped paint, the same color as the rectangles in which they appear, add dimensionality.

Mary Hill calls her works "tapestries," yet without weaving, her banners are technically unstretched paintings. She's a fiber artist nevertheless, adding mixed-media elements such as dried grasses to her banners and hanging them from sticks and dowels. Hill's "Community Banner," approximately 7 feet tall by 5 feet wide, was created specifically for this show. As she explains in her artist's statement, "The Community Banner and the larger panels grew out of my plan to show in this large space. For me, working with images of connection, love and peace are fulfilling."

Hill's figures are often literally connected, like paper dolls, in a symbolic rendering of the theme of "connection." Among her other works are paintings on stretched canvas, which repeat the childlike imagery in simple passages of line drawing and richly scumbled, Chagall-like layers of translucent color.

"Multicolored House" portrays a bungalow with a peaked roof teetering at the edge of a colorful stream filled with expressive fish. Overhead, day transitions into night, with light blue at left, stars and moon at right — a typical childlike firmament.

"A Splash of Color" is part of this year's Vermont Festival of the Arts, a growing Mad River Valley tradition that is highlighting local galleries and studios for the eighth consecutive year. The festival continues through August 21. Other major exhibitions include the "Big Red Barn Art Show" at the Lareau Farm, featuring about 100 artists; "The Heart of Rug Hooking Exhibit" at the General Wait House; and "The Valley Young Artists of the Year Exhibit" at Sundy Center for the Arts, presenting works by middle- and high school-age artists.

All these locations, as well as glass and ceramic studios, can be found along the highly scenic Route 100 in Waitsfield. In central Vermont beyond the Interstate, the journey is often as enjoyable as the destination.

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CALL TO ARTISTS

PLANNING MEETINGS for a new Montpelier art gallery are being held on a regular basis and anyone is invited to give feedback. Join in on August 10, 6 p.m. Info, Robyn at 223-4910 or [illegible]@yahoo.com.

STUDIO PLACE ARTS invites member artists to share a selection of their best works for a major installation in November/December. Contact SPA by October 15. 479-7069.

INDIVIDUAL ARTISTS OR artist-led teams are invited to conceptualize and create site-specific artwork for the Royalton Department of Public Safety Facility. Deadline: September 17. Info, 828-5422 or http://www.vermontartscouncil.org.

THE ART SPACE AT Cynthia's Spa is seeking two-dimensional artists for shows rotating every two months. Info, email avalonprema@yahoo.com.

CCV BURLINGTON is seeking artists to exhibit in the Hallway Galleries. Submission and contact info, check http://www.ccv.edu/location/burlington/hallway_galleries/index.html.

OPENINGS

JOSHUA BARNARD: Acrylic, ink and metal prints on canvas, and **CONSTANTINE GLINKA:** Paint and ink collages, and **EVAN BOOK:** Watercolor and ink paintings. [illegible] Café, Johnson, 635-7423. Reception August 10, 5-8:30 p.m. Through August.

BARBARA WAGNER: "Glimpses and Hidden Stories," new paintings. Furchgott Sourdiffe Gallery, Shelburne, 985-3848. Reception August 12, 6-8 p.m. Through September 18.

LUCINDA MASON: "Made in Montréal," large-scale paintings by the Concordia University grad. Red Mill Gallery, Vermont Studio Center, Johnson, 635-2727. Reception August 12, 7-8 p.m. Through August 17.

AUGUST SOLO EXHIBITIONS: Eight regional artists show works in multiple media. Yester House, Southern Vermont Art Center, Manchester, 362-1405. Reception August 13, 2-4 p.m. Through September 11.

ROBERT MORGAN: "Symbols, Myths and Sock Monkeys," watercolors and woodcuts. Langdon Street Café, Montpelier, 223-8667. Reception August 13, 6:30-8:30 p.m. Through August 28.

TALKS/ EVENTS

FIREHOUSE COMMUNITY DARKROOM PHOTOGRAPHY CRITIQUE & DISCUSSION: Local shutterbugs share their accomplishments and challenges in a supportive group meeting. Firehouse Center for the Visual Arts, Burlington, 865-7156. August 10, 6-8 p.m.

TEA DEMONSTRATION: Learn the proper way to turn leaves into a steaming brew in a presentation by Debra Heal, in conjunction with a current exhibit of tea-related art works. Shelburne Craft School's Gallery on the Green, 985-3648. August 11, 5-7 p.m.

POPULATION TALK: Population Media Center director Bill Ryerson and Planned Parenthood of Northern New England president Nancy Mosher speak on issues regarding world population, in conjunction with the exhibit "Cartoons for Social Change." Firehouse Center for the Visual Arts, Lorraine B. Good Room, Burlington, 865-7165 or 985-8156. August 11, 7 p.m.

ONGOING >> 48A

PLEASE NOTE: Exhibitions are written by **Pamela Polston**, spotlights written by **Marc Awodey**. Listings are restricted to exhibits in truly public places; exceptions may be made at the discretion of the editor. Submit art exhibitions at **www.sevendaysvt.com/art** or send via email by Thursday at 5 p.m. including info phone number to **galleries@sevendaysvt.com**.

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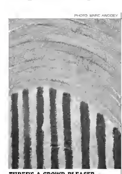

THREE'S A CROWD-PLEASER Painter Hannah Haupt both works at and has work at Frog Hollow on Church Street in Burlington. Her current exhibition of highly textured paintings, aptly entitled "Texture in Line," is one of three for August — the other two are glass by Michael Egan and excellent illustrations of New England freshwater fish by Phil Laughlin. The latter, according to Laughlin's artist statement, are "based on field sketches, photos and observation." Sounds tricky underwater. Pictured: "Ephemeral Morning" by Haupt.

TALKS/EVENTS << 47A

ONGOING

GIANESSA PIRRI: Paintings, Daily Room, and **ISAAC WASUCK:** Oil paintings, Bar and **ANDY:** Photographs. Salarium. Daily Planet, Burlington. 862-9647. Through August.

JENNIFER COUNTNEY: "Art Is Serenity," mixed-media drawings, paintings and collage of antiques, flowers and animals. Cobblestone Deli, Burlington. 229-6814. August 16-September 15.

KIMBERLEA FORNEY: Whirlwind paintings. Brownell Library, Essex Junction. 535-5159. Through August 27. Also at Stagole Pizzeria, Essex Junction. Through September 15.

"SOUVENIR": A multigenerational art show in multiple media. Proceeds of sales benefit the GRAD program. Rose Street Gallery, Burlington. 310-1618. Through August 28.

PHIL LAUGHLIN: "Gone Fishing," colored illustrations of "cool fish base" on field sketches, photos and observation, and **HANNAH HAUPT:** "Texture in Line," paintings. Frog Hollow Craft Center, Burlington, 863-6458. Through August.

"FACES IN THE SILENCES": Black-and-white photographs telling the stories of teenaged mothers, by Stephanie Ravenstahl, author Alice Greenwood, photographer and Ariana Aitken and Pam Cottell. Pickering Room, Fletcher Free Library, Burlington. 865-7211. Through August.

"THE ART OF TEA": A group show of teaware and accoutrements in multiple media. Shelburne Craft School Gallery on the Green. 985-3648. Through September 2.

NORTHERN VERMONT ARTISTS ASSOCIATION: A group show in all media. Red Mill Gallery, Jericho. 899-3107. Through September.

JONATHAN YOUNG: "Local Colors," stylized portraits of Burlington-area musicians. Club Metronome, Burlington. 865-4666. Through September.

MASHA STERN: "Afghan Series," black-and-white photography. Green Door Studio, Burlington. 235-3785. Through August 28.

RACHEL LROBECK: "Bank Strangers," recent works in mixed media. Artspace 150 at The Men's Room, Burlington. 864-2088. Through September.

"SAVANNAH SELECT": A showcase of artwork in various media by graduates of the Savannah College of Art and Design. S1 Studio Collective, Burlington. 578-2512. Through August.

MIKE PERAINO: Traditional tattoo art in prints, originals and photos. Bell Square, Burlington. 918-0104. Through September 1.

ISAAC WASUCK: "Geography, or Something Like It," oil paintings. Radio Bean, Burlington. 660-9347. Through August 15.

ASTIKA SUSAWA & KIRSTEN REYNOLDS: Al an Angle," gouache drawings on paper using traditional Japanese aesthetics and cartoon influences, by the Los Angeles artist, and a large, site-specific sculpture entitled "At the Last Moment," by the New Hampshire artist. Firehouse Gallery, Burlington. 865-7166. Through August 28.

"CARTOONS FOR SOCIAL CHANGE": Political cartoons by Clay Bennett, Jeff Parker, Erik Lewis and others, juried from the 2004 National Popular Cartoon contest tackling the too many people problem. Firehouse Center for the Visual Arts, Burlington. 865-7166. Through August.

"TWO WORLDS OF LATINO ART": Paintings influenced by Modern Muralists and digital reproductions of contemporary Cuban art works; sales benefit the Caribbean Medical Transport, a Vermont-based nonprofit that sends medicines and medical equipment to Cuba. Metropolitan Gallery, Burlington City Hall. 598-7426. Through August 30.

MARSHALL HARMON: Drawings and paintings that explore spatial relationships and "energy" in a new system of global positions. 475ency, 47 Maple St., Burlington. 864-5884, ext. 276. Through September 2.

GINA M. LABROCH: "Where in the World," black-and-white photography. Wine Works, Burlington. 951-9463. Through August 28.

KATY GREENBERGAST: "Sessions in Light: Lake Champlain Series," acrylic paintings. Fall Ansfoff Gallery, Burlington. 864-3661. Through August.

"HIDDENBLOOM": A multimedia video installation by Jane Horne, Karen McGregor and Susan Smereka. Flynndog, Burlington. 865-2227. Through September 2.

JIMMY LEAS: "Outside Art," pastels. Burlington Linen Company, Burlington. 658-0385. Through August.

CATHY MCCARTHY: Pastel paintings. Crimmden Raell, Burlington Square. 848-7185. Through August.

DENIS VERSWEYVELD: "Light," paintings and sculptures. Amy E. Tarrant Gallery, Flynn Center, Burlington. 952-4508. Through September 3.

GREGG CETTBON: "Seal Landscapes," Impressionist paintings, and **KENT BAZELY:** "Ancient Metal, Modern Mind," jewelry in gold and fine gems using a 5000-year-old technique. Gravitie Gallery, Burlington. 651-2052. Through August.

KATE VAN WAGNER & SARAH NORMANDIN: "Chaos and Control," drawings and mixed media and oil paintings, respectively. Hallway Galleries, CCV, 119 Cherry St., Burlington. 951-1252. Through September.

"NEW EAST": A contemporary exhibition of 15 artists from Vermont and across the country who draw inspiration from the rural, urban and suburban environments of America, through October 9th; and **FRANCIS X. SCHMITT:** "The Four Corners Series," abstract paintings incorporating soil from four locations by the late Vermont artist and UVM prof. Wolcott Room, through September 18; and **"FAMILIAR TERRAIN":** Landscape watercolors, prints, drawings and photographs from the permanent collection. Wilbur Room, through September 2. Fleming Museum, UVM, Burlington. 656-0750.

NYE CHALMERS: Photographs. Pursuit Gallery, Burlington. 652-3883. Through August.

ELAINE PARKER: Antarctica in mixed media, also **MELANIE PHELPS:** Painted floral scapes, and **CYNTHIA NASS:** Geometric barriers and **ELLIE JACOBSON:** Sculpted faces. Artpath Gallery, Burlington. 563-2273. Through August.

MELINDA WHITE-KIRSHOP: "Benevolent Relationships," new sculpture. Cathedral Church of St. Paul, Burlington. 864-0471. Through September.

DEREK BRENNER: Conceptual Dada assemblages in these hypocritical times. CCV Hallway Galleries, Burlington. 658-0307. Through August.

MAKING FACES: PAINTING LIKENESS, CHARACTER AND EMOTION: American portrait artists of the 18th and 19th centuries; also 15th-20th-century Ilead pictures, works by the 20th-century children's book author and illustrator Barbara Cooney; American girls, 1820 to 1870; "Hooked" rugs by Molly Nye Tefft, 1843-1911; American Flyer classic toy trains and Quebec country furniture, 1850-1970. Shelburne Museum. 985-3346, x 3337. All through October.

ANN LASTRUCCI: An interactive, multimedia installation based on the Waterfront myths and lies we are encouraged to believe. Peace & Justice Center Gallery, Burlington. 655-6846. Through December.

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JAMES FECTEAU & SIERRA WELLS: "Iron and Silk," forged works and textiles, respectively. Art on Main, Bristol. 453-4032. Through August.

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NOTE-WORTHY It seems like almost everybody who's anybody in the contemporary Burlington music scene has been immortalized by painter Jonathan Young. His exhibition of 17 vertical portraits on panels hangs on the same walls that some of his subjects' tunes have rattled — at Club Metronome. But Young didn't paint only rockers. The late jazz giant Big Joe Burrell, Maestro Kip Meaker and fusion mandolinist Jamie Masefield (pictured here) appear as well. The exhibit, entitled "Local Colors," will be on view through September.

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KARLA VAN VLIET: New Asian-inspired works in mixed media. Great Falls Craft Gallery, Middlebury, 453-5813. Through August 21.

COLETTE A. PAUL: The Landscape Real and Imagined, paintings. Walkover Gallery, Bristol, 453-3188. Through September 24.

JOAN DREW & MARY FRAN LLOYD: "Sister Art," watercolor paintings by the local siblings. Brandon Artists Guild, 7 Center Street, Brandon, 247-4956. Through August.

NEIL RAPPAPORT: "In Place," images of the Pawlet area by the late former resident and documentary photographer. Vermont Folklife Center, Middlebury, 388-4964. Through November 12.

CALEB KENNA: Photographs of India. Dolly & Marks Restaurant, Middlebury, 247-3310. Through August.

LIBBY DAVIDSON: "The Natural Communities of Vermont," hand-painted prints of landscapes and wildlife. The Birds of Vermont Museum, Huntington, 434-2167. Through October.

"JOHN DEERE: THE MAN, THE LEGEND, THE BRAND": A touring exhibit of photos and artifacts illustrating the life of the tractor man. Henry Sheldon Museum, Middlebury, 388-2117. Through October 22.

"MIDDLEBURY COLLEGE PRESIDENTS": An exhibition of official portraits of recent Middlebury College presidents includes a hologram of 15th President Emeritus John McCardell, Jr., made by John Perry; and **PAUL SHEPPERD:** Morning After the Deluge, video work juxtaposing rising and setting sun with Earth's movement; and **LATIN AMERICAN GRAPHICS:** "The Evolution of Identity from the Mythical to the Personal," contemporary printmaking by 49 artists. Middlebury College Museum of Art, 443-5235. All through August 14.

central

JOAN MARIE DAVIDSON: "Habitat of Vermont," gouache and watercolor. Kellogg-Hubbard Library, Montpelier, 485-4225. Through September 3.

CORA BROOKS: Paintings; and **JOAN MARIE DAVIDSON:** Paintings, recent work of Mad Dog City Center, Montpelier, 595-2268. Through September 3.

HOPE RAPAPORT: Figurative oil paintings. The Shoe Horn, Montpelier, 223-5454. Through August.

HELEN BARRY: Figurative still life and landscape paintings in oil. Blinking Light Gallery, Plainfield, 454-0141. Through August.

"BECOMING CONTEMPORARY MASTERS": Works by seven MFA candidates from the School of Visual Arts, New York City. Main Floor Gallery; and **ETHAN AZARIAN:** Paintings, Second Floor Gallery; and **ROBERT BRUNELLE JR.:** Paintings and ink drawings, Third Floor Gallery. Studio Place Arts, Barre, 479-7069. Through September 10.

PAUL CLACK: "Here Today, Gone to Maui," landscape paintings. Proceeds of sales cover artist's move to Hawaii. Capitol Grounds, Montpelier, 223-4762. Through August.

PHOTOGRAPHY EXHIBIT: More than 40 shooters from the Mad River Valley and Beyond. Joslyn Round Barn, Waitsfield, 496-7722. Through September 4.

RAY BROWN & MARK HEITZMAN: 2d new Not 35" graphite drawings. Chandler Gallery, Randolph, 728-5969 ewe. Through August 28.

BRIAN KOSOFF: New landscape photographs from travels around the world. Tad on 8th Gallery of Fine Photography, Pawlet, 325-2274. Through October 10.

LEAH KONECSNY & MARY HILL: "A Splash of Color," abstract paintings and tapestries, respectively. Northern Power Systems, Waitsfield, 496-2955, ext. 352. Through October 7.

JIM GILBERT FOX: "Infinite Vermont," photographs. Governor's Office, Pavilion Office Building, Montpelier, 828-3749. Through September 28.

CLAIRE VAN VLIET: Lithographs and pulp paintings of the Vermont landscape. Parade Gallery, Warren, 496-5445. Through August 21.

29TH ANNUAL QUILT EXHIBITION: More than 50 spreads made by Windsor County quilters, exhibitors and demonstrations daily. Billings Farm & Museum, Woodstock, 457-2355. Through September 18.

EDWARD NOSE & JENNIFER ANDERSON: "Bread and Jam and the Things They Love to Draw," prints by the local artists. Two Rivers Printmaking Studio, White River Junction, 295-5901. Through August.

JANICE CONTOIS: Pictures from the Main Street Doll Collection, woodblock and hand-painted prints with collage also, new additions to the permanent collection. Main Street Museum, White River Junction, info@mainstreetmuseum.org. Through September.

SEVEN VERMONT SCULPTORS: New works by Willa B Boepple, Chris Curtis, Patricia de Gogorza, Nancy Diefenbach, Lynn Newcomb, Tari Swenson and Judith Wrend. Sculpture Garden, Vermont Arts Council, Montpelier, 828-5422. Through May 2007.

LYNA LOU NORDSTROM: "One-Offs and Multiples," original prints in various techniques. Spotlight Gallery, Vermont Arts Council, Montpelier, 828-3291. Through August.

ALAN NYIRI: "A Certain Light," photographs of the Mauna Kea. Wilhelm Feitel Arts Center, Green Mountain College, Poultney, 287-8316. Through August 14.

FELIX DE LA CONCHA: "Visiones de Nueva Inglaterra," paintings by the Spanish artist. Cooler Gallery, White River Junction, 295-1954. Through August 27.

GAIL MARLENE SCHWARTZ: "Hiding and Seeking: Images of Innocence," digital images and mixed media. Vieill Goodrich Gallery at Amaci, Montpelier, 272-4364. Through August 16.

"FULL HOUSE": The annual exhibit features works in mixed media by local adult and student artists. Chaffee Art Center, Rutland, 775-0356. Through August 14.

ARTHUR ZORN: "Improvisations," impressionistic paintings in mixed media. Bundy Center for the Arts, Waitsfield, 496-4781. Through September 5.

ERIC HASSE: Digital photography on large canvases. Supreme Court Lobby, Montpelier, 828-4784. Through August 12.

"ANNIE C, 24 YEARS OF A GIRL'S LIFE WITH AUTISM": A photographic exhibit by David and Diane Offen documenting their daughter's life and raising awareness about the developmental disability. Northlight Digital Gallery, Tip Top Media Arts Building, White River Junction, 280-1888. Through September 5.

GROUP EXHIBITION: Local artists present an eclectic collection of ceramics, paintings, photographs, jewelry and more. Blinking Light Gallery, Plainfield, 454-0141. Ongoing.

northern

FIFTEEN WOMEN: Portrait, still life, abstract and landscape paintings, and pottery by artists from around New England. Bryan Memorial Gallery, Jeffersonville, 644-5100. Through September 4.

KATHLEEN KOLB & THOMAS OTTENBERG: Oils and watercolors, and bronze sculptures, respectively. Cold Comfort Farm, Clarke Galleries, Stowe, 253-8502. Through September 25.

"EXPOSED 2005!": The annual outdoor sculpture exhibit features 21 artists, mostly from Vermont. Maps available at Helen Day Art Center, Stowe, 253-8358. Through October 16.

DEBORAH CONCOLI: A debut exhibition of acrylic landscapes. Copley Woodlands, Stowe, 644-2077. Through August 30.

"LAND & LIGHT LANDSCAPE EXHIBITION": An annual invitational featuring regional artists in the landscape tradition. Bryan Memorial Gallery, Jeffersonville, 644-5100. Through December 18.

NANCY WINTERS: Watercolors and greeting cards in American motifs. Cat Spa Gallery & Gardens, Westford, 872-1468. Ongoing.

BILL JERSEY: Landscape paintings by the documentary filmmaker. The Miller's Thumb, Greensboro, 533-2960. Through August.

DEN BEARE: Landscape photographs. Back Room Gallery, NEK Artisans Guild, 430 Railroad St., St. Johnsbury, 487-3701. Through August 18.

"SENSE OF ANOTHER PLACE: IMAGINATION, MEMORY, DESIRE": The second annual group show features 32 area artists in sculpture and other media, inside and out. West Branch Gallery & Sculpture Park, Stowe, 253-8943. Through September 1.

"WOMEN'S WORK, NO BOUNDARIES": A group exhibit featuring emerging artists Arista Alanis, paintings; Ashley James, ceramic sculpture; and Rachel Moore, glass. Main Gallery; and **VERMONT FINALISTS FOR THE NATIONAL MUSEUM OF WOMEN IN THE ARTS:** Patricia Burleson and Kathleen Schneider, sculpture; Gail Salamon, paintings; Dafna Schoser, fabric and thread paintings; and Claire Van Vliet, pulp paintings. West Gallery, through August 28. Helen Day Art Center, Stowe, 253-8358. NMWA finalists are also showing different works at McCarthy Arts Center, St. Michael's College, Colchester, 654-2535. Through August 28.

STOWE TOWN HALL SUMMER EXHIBIT: Show in multiple media featuring area artists. Stowe Town Hall, 253-8571. Through August.

southern

ELLIOTT LANDY: "Woodstock Vision, The Spirit of a Generation," photographs of the 1960s at home and in concert, and art from the '60s and '70s by various artists. Elizabeth de C. Wilson Museum, through October 16; also, works in mixed media by Jack Howard-Potter, Merritt Schnipper and John Umphlett, Sculpture Garden, through October 25. Southern Vermont Art Center, Manchester, 362-1405.

STEPHEN B. SCHAUB: "Weird Solution," digital photos, and new work from other artists. Ember Hill Gallery, Pawlet, 325-2274. Weekends through Sept. 5.

regional

JACK LENOR LARSEN: "Creator and Collector," an exhibit of textiles and objects by the legendary American designer, through August 21; and **EDWIN HOLGATE:** Master of the Human Figure, paintings, drawings, prints and photographs by the late Canadian artist, through October 23; and **SAM BOREN STEIN:** Passion for Color, paintings of Montréal and Québec by the late Lithuanian immigrant, through September 18. Montréal Museum of Fine Arts, 1-877-BEAUX-ARTS.

ELLSWORTH KELLY: Sixty lithographs featuring line drawings of plants, fruits and flowers, made over 40 years. Hood Museum of Art, Dartmouth College, Hanover, N.H., 603-646-2426. Through August 28.

"COLLECTANEA": Objects from the permanent collection illustrate the museum as hunter/gatherer. Gutman Gallery, through February; and **MANUAL:** Archive Fever, an installation himself entirely by works from the permanent collection by the husband-and-wife team of Ed Hill and Suzanne Bloom. Harrington Gallery, through October 2; and **"CELEBRATING TWENTY YEARS: GIFTS IN HONOR OF THE HOOD MUSEUM OF ART":** Prints, paintings, ceramics and more enhancing the permanent collection, Second Floor Galleries, through December 11. Hood Museum of Art, Dartmouth College, Hanover, N.H., 603-646-2426. ⓢ

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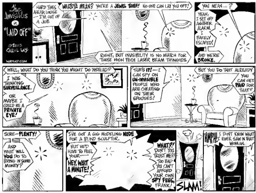
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RIGHT, BUT INVISIBILITY IS NO MATCH FOR THOSE HIGH TECH LASER BEAM THINGIES
YOU MEAN...?
YEAH, I SET OFF ANOTHER ALARM. I BARELY ESCAPED!
AND WE'RE BROKE.
WELL, WHAT DO YOU THINK YOU MIGHT DO INSTEAD?
I WAS THINKING SURVEILLANCE.
OR MAYBE I COULD BE A PRIVATE EYE!
THAT'S IT!—I CAN SPY ON UN-INVISIBLE PEOPLE WHO ARE CHEATING ON THEIR SPOUSES!
BUT YOU DO THAT ALREADY
YOU CAN GET PAID FOR THAT?
SURE—PLENTY!
AND WHAT WILL YOU DO TO BRING IN SOME MONEY?
I'VE GOT A GIG MODELING NUDE FOR A BLIND SCULPTOR.
BUT HE'D HAVE TO FEEL YOUR—
HEY, WAIT A MINUTE!
WHAT?! DON'T YOU TRUST ME?!
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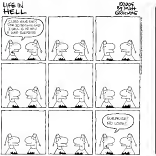
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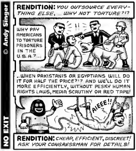
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...WHEN PAKISTANIS OR EGYPTIANS WILL DO IT FOR HALF THE PRICE?!? AND WE'LL DO IT MORE EFFICIENTLY, WITHOUT PESKY HUMAN RIGHTS LAWS, MEDIA SCRUTINY OR RED TAPE!
AIEEE!!
SINGER
RENDITION: CHEAP, EFFICIENT, DISCREET! ASK YOUR CONGRESSMAN FOR DETAILS!

RED MEAT
pumice patch on the slip-n-slide
from the secret files of Max Cannon
Let's go, Honey. Our reservations are for seven, and they won't hold the table for us.
Just let me go grab my purse. Hold on a minute.
Ted, you can't wear that outfit to Rusty's.
Why not? It's a seafood restaurant.
Okay, but you can't dive into Rusty's lobster tank again to pull the rubber bands off their claws just so the kids can watch them fight.
I wasn't going to do that. Tonight I plan to flop around all over the oyster bar like an alpha bull seal in a challenger's entrails.

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film review BY RICK KISONAK

The Beat That My Heart Skipped ★★★★

PIANO MAN **Duris is mesmerizing as a thug who gets in touch with his inner virtuoso.**

Now here's something you don't see every day: a remake worth seeing. In the past year or so we've endured updates of *Assault on Precinct 13*, *The Longest Yard*, *The Stepford Wives*, *Dawn of the Dead*, *War of the Worlds*, *Herbie*, *House of Wax* and even a reinterpretation of *Guess Who's Coming to Dinner* featuring Ashton Kutcher and Bernie Mac. As this last example suggests, these can be amazingly bad ideas.

On the other hand, French director Jacques Audiard's update of the 1978 James Toback classic *Fingers* is nothing short of inspired. It doesn't simply rehash a well-known story with a new crop of actors, as is so often the approach when it comes to Hollywood productions. It breathes the weird heart and soul of Toback's film into a completely reworked version of the original.

For anyone not up on their '70s cinema, Toback's picture starred Harvey Keitel as a violent New York City gangster who also happened to be a concert-level pianist. The story explored the duality of the character — his desire, on one hand, to please his mobster father and, on the other, his longing for fulfillment on an altogether different plane.

Audiard sets his story in the present day and moves the action to the mean streets of Paris. The tremendously talented young actor Romain (*L'Auberge Espagnol*) Duris takes over in the Keitel role. Only this time, instead of a drug-crazed wise guy, he's a ruthless, sleazy property shark following in the footsteps of his ruthless, sleazy father.

Everything you need to know about the business, at least the stratum at which Duris' character operates, is communicated in a series of riveting early scenes. In one, he marches down an alley carrying a sack that pulses and jerks with menacing life. It is filled, we soon learn, with sizable rats, which he and his two partners will shortly let loose in an apartment building they plan to take over. Moments later, when squatters refuse to leave a seedy tenement they've been occupying, the trio calls in a gang whose specialty is extreme home makeovers. They smash windows and sledgehammer walls until there is simply nothing left to live in.

It's an audacious concept, and one I've never encountered in a film: real estate as organized crime. It's surprising the idea hasn't popped up before now, given the comically high cost of housing these days. Audiard takes us into the nightclubs and down the backstreets of a Paris that is likewise unfamiliar. This may be the City of Lights, but he introduces the viewer to whole districts that have surrendered to darkness.

Niels Arestrup gives a transfixing performance as the young thug's old man, an aging hipster of a hood who's lost his touch and now browbeats his son into doing his dirty work for him. Each time they meet, they kiss. Most times, they discuss some bit of bloody business that requires the kid's attention. It's a fascinating study of a twisted father-son relationship.

And it's the relationship from which Duris increasingly longs to distance himself. The tipping point comes one afternoon when he unexpectedly runs into someone out of his past: the august impresario who once managed the career of Duris' mother. She's long dead but was a successful concert pianist in her day. The elderly gentleman recalls that Duris himself was once a promising artist and invites him to audition for him.

The chance encounter sets in motion the series of events that will decide the fellow's destiny. He realizes his life is *merde* and jumps with surprising naivete and passion at the chance to give it meaning and higher purpose. The problem? Well, there are two, actually: He needs to brush up *presto* with the help of a lovely Vietnamese music teacher who doesn't speak a word of French. And then there's the old Michael Corleone bugaboo. Every time Duris gets out, *they pull him back in*. Anton Yakovlev costars as a Russian mobster who complicates the aspiring musician's life just when his dream seems within reach.

They don't make 'em — never mind remake 'em — a whole lot better than this. Nobody's about to replace Toback's picture or duplicate Keitel's career-making performance and, wisely, the director doesn't try. Instead, he riffs on the original, throws in wonderful new bits, and pays homage. From the performances of its first-rate cast to the infectious score and Audiard's deft direction, this is one of the most accomplished movies you'll see anytime soon — old, new or, as is the case here, the best of both. ⓟ

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PREVIEWS

DEUCE BIGALOW: EUROPEAN GIGOLO: Rob Schneider returns as everybody's favorite male escort. This time around he travels across the pond to help a friend falsely accused of a crime. Costarring Eddie Griffin and Jean Rene. (83 min. R)

FOUR BROTHERS: Adopted brothers grow closer while avenging their mother's murder in this drama from director John Singleton. Mark Wahlberg stars. (109 min. R)

MURDERBALL: Dana Adam Shapiro and Henry Alex Rubin direct this documentary about handicapped men who play a dangerous sport called "quad rugby" in specially armored wheelchairs. (85 min. R)

THE BEAT THAT MY HEART SKIPPED: From French director Jacques Audiard comes this update of James Toback's 1978 classic *Fingers*. Romain Duris stars as a sleazy Paris real-estate shark who dreams of a new life as a concert pianist. Niels Arestrup costars. (107 min. R)

THE GREAT RAID: Benjamin Bratt and Joseph Fiennes report for duty in director John Dahl's action-adventure based on the true story of a daring 1945 rescue mission which took place in the Philippines. Connie Nielsen costars. (132 min. R)

THE SKELETON KEY: Iain (*K-PAX*) Softley helms this supernatural thriller about a young woman who moves into a rundown New Orleans mansion to care for a dying old man and discovers in the attic a secret that's even scarier. With Kate Hudson, John Hurt and Gena Rowlands. (104 min. PG-13)

SHORTS

BATMAN BEGINS★★★ Christian Bale stars in *Memento* director Christopher Nolan's exploration of the caped crusader's origins and emergence as a force for good in the city of Gotham. Michael Caine and Cillian Murphy costar. (134 min. PG-13)

CHARLIE AND THE CHOCOLATE FACTORY★★★1/2 Johnny Depp and Tim Burton team up to reinterpret the beloved Roald Dahl classic about an eccentric chocolatier and the little boy who lives in the shadow of his fantastic factory. With Helena Bonham Carter and David Kelly. (115 min. PG)

FANTASTIC FOUR★★ Marvel's longest-running comic book series gets the big-screen treatment in this festival of F/X from director Tim Story. Starring Ioan Gruffudd, Jessica Alba, Michael Chiklis and Chris Evans. (123 min. PG-13)

HUSTLE & FLOW★★★1/2 Craig Brewer directs the saga of a streetwise Memphis hustler with dreams of rap star glory. Featuring Terrence Howard, DJ Qualls and Ludacris. (114 min. R)

SHORTS >> 53A

RATINGS

★ = refund, please
★★ = could've been worse, but not a lot
★★★ = has its moments; so-so
★★★★ = smarter than the average bear
★★★★★ = as good as it gets

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flick chick BY SUSAN GREEN

SHORT TAKES ON THE REEL WORLD

Blow-Up

IMAGE **Matthew Thorsen**

The inflatable sex doll refused to float. In June filmmakers **Nora Jacobson** and **Steve Goldberg** bought a $30 latex approximation of the female form at a Colchester adult store. Their hope was that the helium-filled creature would rise into the air while riding on the back of a bicycle pedaled by their lead character, a man mourning the death of his wife. As the camera rolled, however, the inanimate object failed to cooperate.

"She's kind of hideous," says Jacobson, a Norwich resident who has been collaborating with Goldberg on his as-yet-untitled and partly autobiographical project. "When Steve took her home, she was so frightening-looking that he put her in the basement."

Although largely featureless, the doll has "all sorts of orifices, like under her arms," Jacobson notes. "Someone suggested we attach balloons to make her fly. That didn't help, but she looked better with all those balloons."

This phase of the shoot, on the bike path along Burlington's waterfront, drew the attention of a policeman — whose wariness turned to amusement once he realized the sex doll was involved in a worthy cinematic endeavor rather than a sleazy crime.

Steve plays a protagonist named Sid who's on a journey to make contact with life again. To him, sex is like the antithesis of death.

FILMMAKER NORA JACOBSON

"This is really an experimental narrative," Jacobson says of the work-in-progress. "It's not a conventional, three-act drama. The material is raw, funny, dark and uncensored. Steve plays a protagonist named Sid who's on a journey to make contact with life again. To him, sex is like the antithesis of death."

Goldberg's wife, singer-songwriter **Rachel Bissex**, died six months ago from breast cancer. She starred in Jacobson's film *Nothing Like Dreaming*, as the mother of a teenager struggling with the loss of her best friend in an auto accident.

Dreaming has been on tour throughout Vermont this summer and will land at Boston's Museum of Fine Arts for screenings on August 11, 13, 14 and 18. After a friend of Jacobson's sent him a DVD copy, curator Ed Smith decided to book the picture, which the weekly *Phoenix* plans to review. An interview with her will appear in the *Globe*.

Jacobson, meanwhile, has added another credit to her impressive resumé. In July she was director of photography on "The Singers," a short directed by **Sue Bettmann** of North Middlesex. The piece is adapted from an Ivan Turgenev story, with the 19th-century Russian setting transposed to 21st-century Vermont.

"It's about a farmer who travels across a mountain to observe a singing contest that takes place in a tavern," Jacobson says. "Coincidentally, he's also grieving after his wife's death. In contrast with Steve's improvisational approach, Sue began organizing months before."

Bettmann, who crafted the documentary *Beyond 88 Keys* about central Vermont classical pianist **Michael Arnowitt**, has provided "The Singers" with a country music milieu and some old-fashioned contra dancing.

STEVE GOLDBERG

"We're looking for people to just go crazy and have fun," suggests **Bob Ellis**, board president of the Vermont International Film Festival. She's referring to a competition for wildly creative 30-second public-service announcements that promote the event, slated to unspool October 13-16 in Burlington. The three winning spots will be shown on TV and used as trailers during the fest, which addresses issues of human rights, peace and the environment. For more details, call 660-2600 or email info@vtiff.org.

The Hollywood trade papers recently announced that Lamoille County screenwriter **John Fusco** has signed a seven-figure deal to adapt *Wolf Brother*, a popular novel by Michelle Paver. The director Ridley Scott previously joined forces with Rutland-born wordsmith **David Franzoni** on *Gladiator*.

Fusco, who penned the 1992 Indian-themed feature *Thunderheart* and the 2003 ABC miniseries *Dreamkeeper*, found that his expertise came in handy. "The project was offered to me because of my connection to Native American culture and my spiritual ways," he explains in an email.

Wolf Brother traces far-flung civilizations to an earlier millennium. "It is actually set in Northwestern Europe 6000 years ago," Fusco notes. "The author drew on oral histories from various indigenous peoples, including the Inuit of Greenland."

Fusco started the script late last week, despite an already busy schedule. "I have a movie set in ancient China and another set in Texas during the Great Depression," he says. "They are both getting close to pre-production."

But Fusco acknowledges a personal reason for focusing on the Stone Age saga of a 12-year-old boy befriended by a wolf cub. "It's my young son's favorite book and he really wanted me to do it."

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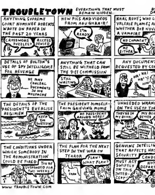

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fickle fannie

BY DAVID DIEFENDORF

READ THIS FIRST: This week, as always, the things Fannie likes (shown in CAPITAL letters) all follow a secret rule. Can you figure out what it is? **NOTE:** Fickle Fannie likes words. But each week she likes something different about them — how they're spelled, how they sound, how they look, what they mean, or what's inside them.

If at first you don't succeed, try a different ANGLE.

Four out of five COLLEGE PROFESSORS have dated students.

The fact that the THERMOMETER is rising isn't surprising.

If you add THE LETTER N to the letters e s s you get a loch.

Often a MURDER is committed by one whom the victim abused.

George BURNS asked Gracie to say goodnight 5x1 times.

Just like bridges and entranceways, pints have ARCS.

With perfect pitch you can nail any note on a MUSICAL SCALE.

Already the DAYS are getting shorter, dammit.

Some kinds of QUESTIONING BY POLICE can turn mean.

E-me with your Qs or comments (dd44art@aol.com). Difficulty rating for this puzzle: **EASY AS GEOMETRY**. If you're stuck, see the HINT on this page. If you cave, see the ANSWER on page 56A. So much for Fickle Fannie's tastes this week. Next week she'll have a whole new set of likes and dislikes.

FICKLE FANNIE HINT: Some are circles.

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SHORTS << 51A

LADIES IN LAVENDER★★★★ Judi Dench and Maggie Smith are paired in director Charles Dance's story of two elderly sisters whose quiet lives in a small coastal town are turned upside down by the arrival of an enigmatic stranger. With Daniel Brühl. (103 min, PG-13)

MAD HOT BALLROOM★★★1/2 First-time filmmakers Marilyn Agrelo and Amy Sewell do for choreography what *Spellbound* did for orthography in this heart-warming documentary about 11-year-old New York City public school students waltzing into the world of competitive ballroom dancing. (105 min, PG)

MARCH OF THE PENGUINS★★★★ From French director Luc Jacquet comes this critically acclaimed documentary about the mating rituals of the remarkable emperor penguin. Narrated by Morgan Freeman. (84 min, G)

ME AND YOU AND EVERYONE WE KNOW★★★★ The feature debut from performance-artist Miranda July snagged a Special Jury Prize at Sundance for its quirky, entertaining take on the lives and romantic quests of a group of young adults and teenagers. Featuring Miranda July, John Hawkes and Hector Henke. (95 min, R)

MUST LOVE DOGS★★ Diane Lane and John Cusack star in this romantic comedy about the perils of dating in a postmodern world. Elizabeth Perkins costars. Gary David Goldberg directs. (98 min, PG-13)

SKY HIGH★★★ Kurt Russell and Kelly Preston star in this action comedy about a family of superheroes. Hmm, sounds incredibly familiar. With Michael Angarano and Bruce Campbell. Directed by Mike Mitchell. (102 min, PG)

STAR WARS EPISODE III: REVENGE OF THE SITH★★★1/2 George Lucas calls it a day with the third in his series of prerelease prequels. The final film chronicles the formation of the Galactic Empire and the birth of bip... Lord Darth. With Ewan McGregor, Natalie Portman, Hayden Christensen and Jimmy Smits. (140 min, PG-13)

STEALTH★★ XXX director Rob Cohen offers an action adventure in which three top-gun pilots attempt to prevent a war from accidentally breaking out when a drone bomber suddenly turns rogue. Starring Josh Lucas, Jessica Biel and Jamie Foxx. (121 min, PG-13)

THE BAD NEWS BEARS★★★1/2 Billy Bob Thornton stars in this remake of the 1976 comedy about a cranky former minor-league player who winds up coaching a woefully inept Little League team. Costarring Greg Kinnear and Marcia Gay Harden. Directed by Richard Linklater. (111 min, PG-13)

THE DEVIL'S REJECTS★★1/2 Rob Zombie's latest tells the blood-drenched tale of a backwoods sheriff who takes the law into his own hands (Can you do that, technically, if you're a sheriff?) in order to avenge his brother's murder. Starring William Forsythe and Sid Haig. (101 min, R)

THE DUKES OF HAZZARD★1/2 Seann William Scott and Johnny Knoxville team up for the big-screen version of the popular television series in which two cousins regularly elude hilarwitted law-enforcement authorities in a small Southern town. Costarring Jessica Simpson and Burt Reynolds. (104 min, PG-13)

THE ISLAND★★ Scarlett Johansson and Ewan McGregor are paired in Michael Bay's futuristic action thriller about a utopian community whose leaders harbor a nightmarish secret. With Djimon Hounsou. (134 min, PG-13)

WAR OF THE WORLDS★★1/2 Tom Cruise, Miranda Otto and Dakota Fanning star in Steven Spielberg's contemporary retelling of the H.G. Wells sci-fi classic focusing on one family's struggle to survive an alien invasion. With Tim Robbins and Justin Chatwin. (117 min, PG-13)

WEDDING CRASHERS★★★★ David (*Shanghai Knights*) Dobkin directs this comedy about a pair of skirt-chasing divorce mediators with a penchant for picking up women when they're at their most vulnerably sentimental. Owen Wilson and Vince Vaughn star. (119 min, R)

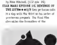
NEW ON DVD/VHS

BECAUSE OF WINN-DIXIE★★1/2 Wayne (*Smoke*) Wang directs this family film about a young Florida girl who adopts an orphaned dog. Based on the bestseller by the same name. Starring Jeff Daniels, Cicely Tyson and Dave Matthews. (175 min, PG)

KUNG FU HUSTLE★★★★ Stephen Chow wrote, directed and stars in this semi-surreal send-up of the Hong Kong martial-arts movie in which a would-be bad guy gets caught in a war between a vicious gang and the lokah tants of a pornicula ly tough neighborhood. Also featuring Yuen Qiu and Leung Siu Lung. (99 min, R)

LOOK AT ME★★★★ From French filmmaker Agnès Jaoui comes this bittersweet comedy in which the lives of an aspiring singer, a struggling writer, a voice coach and an influential book publisher intersect with surprising, illuminating results. Featuring Marilou Berry and Laurent Grevill. (111 min, PG-13)

OFF THE MAP★★★ Joan Allen and Sam Elliott are paired in this story about a summer in the life of an offbeat early 1970s family living off the land in rural New Mexico. With Valentina de Angelis. Directed by Campbell Scott. (105 min, PG-13) ⓒ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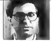

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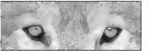

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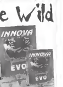

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friday 12 — thursday 18
***Deuce Bigalow: European Gigolo** 1:30, 4 (if it's raining), 7:10, 9. **The Dukes of Hazzard** 1:50, 4 (Sat & Sun; Mon-Thu if it's raining), 7, 9. **March of the Penguins** 1:30, 4 (Sat & Sun; Mon-Thu if it's raining), 6:40, 8:15. **Charlie and the Chocolate Factory** 1:50, 4 (Sat & Sun; Mon-Thu if it's raining). **Must Love Dogs** 6:50, 9.

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friday 12 — thursday 18
***The Skeleton Key** 1:20 (Fri-Sun), 7:15, 9:50. **The Dukes of Hazzard** 1 (Fri-Sun), 7:05, 9:15. **Wedding Crashers** 1:10 (Fri-Sun), 6:55, 9:20. **Crash** 1:50 (Fri-Sun), 7:10, 9:25.

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friday 12 — thursday 18
***The Skeleton Key** 1:15, 5:40, 7, 9:50. ***Four Brothers** 1:50, 6:30, 7:05, 9:55. ***Deuce Bigalow: European Gigolo** 1, 2:50, 5:40, 7:25, 9:25. **The Dukes of Hazzard** 1:10, 6:10, 7:15, 9:40. **March of the Penguins** 12:55, 2:55, 4:50, 6:50, 9. **Charlie and the Chocolate Factory** 1:25, 4, 6:45. **Wedding Crashers** 1:20, 4:20, 7:10, 9:45. **Sky High** 1:55, 5:50, 6:20, 8:50. **Must Love Dogs** 1:40, 4:15, 6:40. **Fantastic Four** 1:05, 6:30 (except Tue). **Batman Begins** 5:30, 9:10. **Stealth** 9:20. **The Longest Yard** 9:15.

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Main St., Middlebury, 388-4841

wednesday 10 — thursday 11
March of the Penguins 2:15 (Thu), 7:15, 8:45. **Charlie and the Chocolate Factory** 2 (Thu), 7, 9:15.

friday 12 — thursday 18
Charlie and the Chocolate Factory 2 (Friday only). **March of the Penguins** 2:15 (Fri-Sun, Thu), 4 & 5:45 (Sat & Sun), 7:15, 8:45. **Wedding Crashers** 2 (Sat-Sun, Thu), 6:30 (Sat & Sun), 7 & 9:15.

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wednesday 10 — thursday 11
March of the Penguins 1, 2:50, 5:50, 4:40, 6:50, 8, 9:10. **Ladies in Lavender** 1:25, 5:55, 7:05, 9:15. **Charlie and the Chocolate Factory** 1:10, 6, 7, 9:30. **Me and You and Everyone We Know** 1:20, 5:25, 7:10, 9:20. **Must Love Dogs** 1:15, 5:50, 7:15, 9:55. **Mad Hot Ballroom** 1:05, 6, 9:50.

friday 12 — thursday 18
***Murderball** 1, 2:50, 4:50, 7:20, 9:25. ***The Beat That My Heart Skipped** 1:15, 5:50, 7:15, 9:25. **Ladies in Lavender** 1:25, 5:55, 7:05, 9:15. **Me and You and Everyone We Know** 1:20, 5:25, 7:10, 9:20. **March of the Penguins** 1:05, 5, 4:40, 6:50, 8:40. **Charlie and the Chocolate Factory** 1:10, 6, 7. **Mad Hot Ballroom** 9:30.

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PALACE CINEMA 9

Fayette Road, South Burlington, 864-5610

wednesday 10 — thursday 11
The Dukes of Hazzard 12:40, 1:40, 5:25, 4:25, 6:20, 7:20, 9:40, 9:50. **Charlie and the Chocolate Factory** 10:50 (Thu only, "Mom's Matinee"), 1:30, 4:15, 6:55, 9:35. **Hustle and Flow** 1, 4, 7:05, 9:50. **Must Love Dogs** 12:55, 4:05, 7:10, 9:30. **Star Wars III: Revenge of the Sith** 5:30 (Wed only), 9:20. **Sky High** 1:15, 5:40, 9:40, 9:35. **Stealth** 12:50, 5:20, 6:50, 9:25. **Wedding Crashers** 12:50, 5:35, 7, 9:45. **The Bad News Bears** 1:05, 6:50.

friday 12 — thursday 18
***Four Brothers** 1, 5:50, 7:10, 9:50. ***Deuce Bigalow: European Gigolo** 12:50, 2:30, 6:30, 7:25, 9:55. ***The Skeleton Key** 1:10, 6:05, 6:55, 9:50. ***The Great Raid** 12:45, 5:45, 9:40, 9:50. **March of the Penguins** 10:30 (Thu only, "Mom's Matinee"), 12:55, 2:55, 6:35, 7, 9. **Must Love Dogs** 12:55, 6:50. **Star Wars III: Revenge of the Sith** 3:25, 9:10. **The Dukes of Hazzard** 1:15, 5:50, 7:05, 9:55. **Charlie and the Chocolate Factory** 1:20, 4, 6:55. **The Island** 6:20. **Wedding Crashers** 12:50, 5:55, 7, 9:45.

THE SAVOY THEATER

Main Street, Montpelier, 229-0509

wednesday 10 — thursday 18
March of the Penguins 1:50 (Sat-Mon), 6:50, 8:50.

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Mountain Rd., Stowe, 253-4678

wednesday 10 — thursday 18
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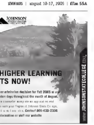
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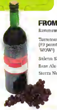

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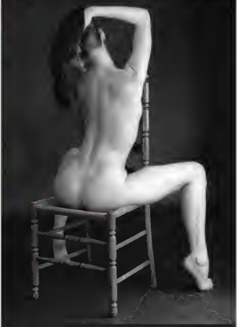

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The players wallowed calf-deep in the brown muck of the volleyball courts, which glistened in the hot August sun like Vietnamese rice paddies. Barbecue smoke mingled in the air with the vague scent of cow manure and coconut sunscreen — though it's hard to imagine how UV rays could penetrate the crusty, red veneer of rich Vermont clay that coated the arms, legs and torsos of the players, refs and most of the spectators. In fact, about the only folks not covered head to toe in mud were the ones working the concession booths and a pair of dogs snoozing lazily under an umbrella.

Wealthy ladies pay hundreds of dollars to immerse themselves in mud baths this rich in nutrients, but this was for a more selfless cause: the Epilepsy Foundation of Vermont. The event, which raised more than $5000 this year, drew nearly two dozen teams from around Vermont, New York and Massachusetts. With names like "The Mud Dawgs" and "The Dirty Dozen," nearly all arrived with makeshift uniforms of some sort — shorts, bathing suits, T-shirts and sneakers — but by the end of the day all were the same color, and most ended up in the trash. After one player on Boston's "Team Clorox" finished wrapping his sneakers in duct tape — otherwise, the mud sucks them right off your feet, he explained — he trudged eagerly into the soupy mess, inhaled deeply and exclaimed, "Mmm! I love the smell of cow poop in the morning!"

Unlike other kinds of volleyball, the mud variety is rarely won or lost on skill alone. As I watched Burlington's "Tighty Whiteys" battle it out with Hazelett's "Muddy Pants," it was clear that most points were scored on the serve. But there were still a few exciting volleys, and most players weren't averse to diving for a ball, even if it meant getting a snout full of brown stuff in the process. And when one mud-covered woman apologized profusely for splattering a spectator, he shook it off and reassured her: "Hey, no worries. There's no 'sorry' in mud volleyball."

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ADAMANT PIANO CONCERT: Keyboardists-in-residence perform a classical program at the Adamant Music School. 8 p.m. $5 Info 229-9297

CONCERTS ON THE BLUFF: The local music bunch in the Adirondack Jazz Orchestra take big band sound to new peaks. Clinton Community College, Plattsburgh N.Y 6:30 p.m. Free. Info 518-562-4180

SUMMER RECITAL: Barbara Vincent Rhoten sings works by Aaron Copland, Gabriel Fauré and Luigi Cherubini, accompanied by pianist Thomas Zajkowski. Stowe Community Church 8 p.m. $18 Info 253 7257

FRENCH SCHOOL CHOIR & CHORALE: Language students chanteat at an evening concert. Concert Hall, Middlebury College Center for the Arts, 8 p.m. Free. Info, 443 5510

THE LINDNER BROTHERS: Expect eclectic old time selections from frontmen Banjo Dan and Willy. City Hall Park Barre 7 p.m. Free. Info 476-4015

dance

'SALSALINA PRACTICE: Work on your sensuous nightclub motions at this weekly Latin dance session. Salsalina Studio Burlington nonmembers 6 p.m members 7 p.m $5-10 Info 598-1077

drama

'PRINCESS IDA': In this Gilbert & Sullivan musical, a young woman who has sworn off men succumbs to a persistent suitor. Unadilla Theatre, North Montpelier 7:30 p.m. $20 Info 456-8968

'KISS ME, KATE': Brush up on your Shakespeare for Cole Porter's musical comedy based on the Bard's *Taming of the Shrew*. Weston Playhouse, 3 & 8 p.m $29 46 Info 824 5288

'YOU'RE A GOOD MAN, CHARLIE BROWN' Lost Nation Theater presents this play based on Charles Schulz's beloved "Peanuts" characters. Montpelier City Hall Auditorium, 7:30 p.m $21 Info 229-0492

'I LOVE YOU, YOU'RE PERFECT, NOW CHANGE' The ups and downs of hetero sexual relationships take center stage in this musical-comedy revue. See calendar spotlight. McCarthy Arts Center St. Michael's College, Colchester 8 p.m $28 Info 654 2281

'THE HEIDI CHRONICLES' Wendy Wasserstein's witty and nostalgic play follows three female friends through three decades of life before, during and after women's lib. Moore Theater Hopkins Center Dartmouth College Hanover N.H. 8 p.m $12 Info 603 646-2422.

'BAT BOY: THE MUSICAL': This tale of a cave-dwelling West Virginian who is half chiroptera is drawn from the pages of the *Weekly World News*. See review, this issue. The Skinner Barn Waitsfield 8 p.m $15 Info 496-4422

'SKY GIRLS' Jenny Laird's historical drama celebrates the women aviators of WWII. Dorset Playhouse, 2 & 8 p.m $20 37 Info 867 5777

'ANGELS IN AMERICA: MILLENNIUM APPROACHES' Set during the 1980s U.S. AIDS outbreak, Tony Kushner's Pulitzer Prize-winning play explores sexuality, race and religion. Pendragon Theatre, Saranac Lake, N.Y 8 p.m $20 Info 518-891 1854

film

'LADIES IN LAVENDER' In this British film Judi Dench and Maggie Smith play spinster sisters in 1930s Cornwall who take in a shipwrecked Jewish violinist. Catamount Arts Center St. Johnsbury, 7 p.m $6.50 Info 748-2600

'ONLY ANGELS HAVE WINGS' Cary Grant, Jean Arthur and Rita Hayworth star in this 1939 film about mail-delivering pilots in South America. Spaulding Auditorium Hopkins Center Dartmouth College, Hanover, N.H., 7 p.m. $7 Info, 603 646 2422.

art

Also see exhibitions in Section A.

GLASS BLOWING DEMONSTRATIONS Clear-eyed visitors watch a 200-degree "gather" of molten glass transform into light catching art. Mad River Glass Gallery, Waitsfield, 8 a.m 5 p.m Free. Info 496 9388. Michael Egan Studio Granville, 8 a.m 1 p.m & 2 5 p.m Free. Info 767-4547

QUILT EXHIBITION Fifty fabulous fabrications by Windsor County quilters spin off dances and activities for all ages. Billings Farm & Museum Woodstock 10 a.m. 5 p.m $8 Info 457-2355.

COMMUNITY DARKROOM CRITIQUES. Area photographers gather informally to share and discuss each other's work. Firehouse Center for the Visual Arts, Burlington 6-8 p.m Free. Info 865-7101

words

STRAFFORD READING SERIES. Literary naturalist Ted Levin who wrote the acclaimed Everglades book *Liquid Land* joins Jon Shearer, the Vermont based author of *Gasp* and *Fast Lane on a Dirt Road*. Barrett Memorial Hall, South Strafford, picnic 6 p.m reading 7 p.m $5 Info 785 4037

VERMONT WRITERS SERIES: Readers look the compelling features of Howard Frank Mosher's novel *A Stranger in the Kingdom*. South Hero Community Library, 7 30 p.m Free. Info 372-8518.

BOOK DISCUSSION Late any types consider why Carol Shields' novel, *The Stone Diaries*, won a Pulitzer Prize. Warren Public Library, 7 p.m Free. Info 496-9458

LEA BELAIR The Vermont author shares her new book *Walk on Water* about taking change in stride. Barnes & Noble, South Burlington 7 p.m Free. Info 864-8001.

READERS' GROUP Choosy gourmands savor *Five Quarters of the Orange* by *Chocolat* author Joanne Harris. Fletcher Free Library, Burlington, 7:30 p.m. Free. Info 865-7211

talks

SLEEP LECTURE: Fletcher Allen psychiatrist Cliff Singer describes how rest patterns change with age. Sheraton Conference Center South Burlington 6:30-8 p.m Free Registration and info, 276 8488

ECOLOGICAL DESIGN: "Living machine" inventor and biologist John Todd describes the ongoing evolution in treating waste, making food and generating energy. Yestermorrow Design/Build School Warren 7 30 p.m Free. Info 496-5545

kids

WESTFORD PLAYGROUP Children gather for games, songs and stories at the Westford Library. 9 30-11 30 a.m Free Info 878-5838

PRESCHOOL STORYTIME: Tots take in their favorite tales at the Pierson Library, Shelburne, 10:30 a.m. Free. Info 985-5124

ANIMAL FEEDING Watch critters do dinner with help from the animal-care staff at the ECHO Center Burlington. meals 8 3 p.m $8-8 Info 864 1848

BIRD FEEDING Find out what raptors like for lunch at the VINS Nature Center Quechee, 4.30 p.m. $4 50-8 Info 359 5000

BARNES & NOBLE STORYTIME Readings of family faves provide morning fun for toddlers at Barnes & Noble, South Burlington 10 a.m Free. Info 864-8001

BROWNELL LIBRARY STORYTIME Picture books and puppets engage growing readers aged 3-5 Brownell Library Essex Junction, 10-10 45 a.m Free Info 878-6956

'MOVING & GROOVING' Two to 5 year-olds boogie down to rock 'n' roll and world-beat music. Fletcher Free Library, Burlington, 11 a.m. Free. Info 865 7216

TEEN TIME Young adults shoot hoops and try other organized activities on an open court. Barre Auditorium 3 4 p.m Free Info 476 7370

CRAFTSBURY CHAMBER PLAYERS FOR KIDS. Young ears take in a short intro to classical music at the UVM Recital Hall, Burlington 4.30 p.m. Free Info 800-639 3443

'SURFIN' CELEBRATION' A party with prizes, music and watermelon conclude an all ages summer reading program Fletcher Free Library, Burlington 7 8 p.m Free. Info 865-7216

SONGS & STORIES Autoharp virtuoso Adam Miller winds through early sea chanties at the Pierson Library, Shelburne, 1 p.m. Free. Info 985-5124

MUSICAL PETTING ZOO Care to touch a tympani? The Vermont Symphony Orchestra interfaces instruments in a hands-on show-and-tell. Allenholm Farm, South Hero 10 a.m and Fisk Farm Isle LaMotte 1 p.m, Donations Info, 372 4127

FEED BOOK DISCUSSION: Readers ages 13-18 fill in the blanks about *Ghost Boy* by Iain Lawrence. Deborah Rawson Memorial Library Jericho, 6:30 p.m Free Info 899-4962

FLOWER PLAY Kids ages 7 and up bring a small jar in which to arrange pretty petals. South Burlington Community Library, 10 a.m Free, Info 652 7096

sport

SENIOR EXERCISE The 60-plus set benefits from stretches and strength training. Senior Community Center The Pines South Burlington 2 30 p.m $2 Info 658 7477

QUECHEE GORGE TOUR. A naturalist with geological expertise leads hikers into Vermont's version of the Grand Canyon VINS Nature Center Quechee 2 p.m $8 Info 359-5000

MOUNTAIN BIKE RACES Kids and adults get two wheeled training on 5, 10, 15 or 20 km loops Catamount Outdoor Family Center, Williston 6 p.m $3 10 Info 879 6001

HASH HOUSE HARRIERS Hungry runners bring rafts for an aquatic hash on the lake. Burlington City Hall Park, 6.30 p.m $5 Info 845 797-8150

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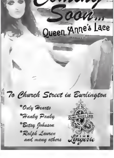

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activism

COUNTER-RECRUITMENT MEETING: Organizers make plans to offer Chittenden County high school students information about, and alternatives to, military service. Peace & Justice Center, Burlington, 7 p.m. Free. Info, 863-2345, ext. 8.

BURLINGTON PEACE VIGIL: Activists stand together in opposition to the U.S. occupation of Iraq. Top of Church Street, Burlington, 5-5:30 p.m. Free. Info, 863-2345.

INTERNATIONAL SOCIALISTS: Marx-minded activists strategize about the labor, feminist and antiwar movements. Room 100, Lafayette Hall, UVM, Burlington, 7 p.m. Free. Child care and Info, 864-9478.

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'PREDATORS OF THE SKY': Hawks, owls and other live birds of prey are the focus of this nature showcase and talk. VINS Nature Center, Quechee, 11 a.m. and 1 & 3:30 p.m. $8. Info, 359-5000.

CHOCOLATE-DIPPING DEMO: Fans of cocoa-covered confectionery see how it's made at Laughing Moon Chocolates, Stowe, 2 p.m. Free. Info, 253-9591.

ESL GROUP: Non-native speakers learn English at the Fletcher Free Library, Burlington, 7-9 p.m. Free. Info, 865-7211.

CHESS GROUP: Beginner- and intermediate-level players strategize ways to put each other's kings in check. South Burlington Community Library, 7 p.m. Free. Info, 652-7076.

FARMERS' MARKET: Browse among open-air booths selling homegrown produce, baked goods and crafts. Route 2, behind Cabot Creamery Offices, Montpelier, 3-6 p.m. Free. Info, 685-4360.

CABLE ACCESS LAB: Want to be on TV? Citizens peruse archives and learn how to produce their own shows. Channel 17, Burlington, 4-6 p.m. Free. Info, 862-3966, ext. 16.

HISTORY CRUISE: A narrated voyage floats past significant forts, mounts and movements. Departs from Teachout's Lakehouse Wharf, Shoreham, 1 p.m. $5. Info, 847-5331.

BOOK SALE: Bookworms discover bargains for all ages at the Stowe Free Library, 9 a.m. Free. Info, 253-6145.

OBSERVATORY OPEN HOUSE: On a clear night, amateur astronomers can check out Mars rising in the east. McCardell Bicentennial Hall rooftop, Middlebury College, 9-10:30 p.m. Free. Info, 443-2266.

THE GREAT VERMONT CORN MAZE: This 7-acre maze of maize lures labyrinth lovers to Boardman Farm, Wheelock Road, Danville, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. $8. Info, 748-1399.

KNITTING POSSE: Needle-wielding crafters convene over good yarn. South Burlington Community Library, 7 p.m. Free. Info, 652-7076.

MORGAN HORSE FARM OPEN HOUSE: The equine-curious catch demos of training procedures, meet breeding stallions, mares and foals, and browse the used tack sale. UVM Morgan Horse Farm, Weybridge, 10:30 a.m. Free. Info, 388-2011.

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music

Also, see clubdates in Section A.

CRAFTSBURY CHAMBER PLAYERS: See August 10, Hardwick Town House.

Y.D.O. CONCERT: Five local and national vocalists sing operatic repertoire at a fundraiser for the newly formed, Burlington-based Fresh Young Dynamic Opera Company. See story, this issue. One Main Street, Burlington, 8 p.m. $25. Info, 863-5966.

BROWN BAG SERIES: Boston's tuba-driven Brass Connection dishes out Dixieland, blues, ragtime and pop tunes on the Woodstock Village Green, noon. Free. Info, 457-3981.

TWO-BAND CONCERT: The old-time string band Slab City and Mass-rockers The Roaring Dandelions blow their tops at the Old Schoolhouse Common, Marshfield, 6:30 p.m. Free. Info, 426-3581.

WATERBURY ROTARY CONCERT SERIES: The Vermont-based Night Cafe Jack Klezmer Band busts out fiddle-and-accordion-driven music. Rusty Parker Memorial Park, Waterbury, 6:30 p.m. Free. Info, 244-7352.

OPEN AIR MUSIC SERIES: The steel drum band The Panhandlers teams with storyteller Simon Brooks at the Upper Valley Events Center, Norwich, 7 p.m. $8. Info, 649-2272.

drama

'KISS ME, KATE': See August 10, 8 p.m.

'YOU'RE A GOOD MAN, CHARLIE BROWN': See August 10.

'I LOVE YOU, YOU'RE PERFECT, NOW CHANGE': See August 10.

'THE HEIDI CHRONICLES': See August 10.

'BAT BOY: THE MUSICAL': See August 10.

'FOOLS': The Green Candle Theatre Company reconvenes to offer Neil Simon's comedy about a village cursed into stupidity. Waterfront Theatre, Lake & College Building, Burlington, 8 p.m. $16. Info, 862-7469.

'THIS IS OUR YOUTH': Three twentysomethings come of age while dealing with sex, drugs, their parents and themselves in 1970s New York City. Unadilla Theatre, North Montpelier, 7:30 p.m. $20. Info, 456-8968.

'MEASURE FOR MEASURE': The characters of Shakespeare's black comedy about honor and good government get their digs in. Quarry Works, Adamant Music School, 7:30 p.m. Free. Info, 229-9297.

'FLYING FEATHERS': The Winooski Community Theatre Company stages this British farce about a family estate turned flophouse. Winooski Educational Center, 7:30 p.m. $7.50. Info, 434-5229.

'THE LION IN WINTER': James Goldman's humorous take on a family Christmas pits parents against heirs in a struggle to determine the next King of England. Dorset Playhouse, 8 p.m. $37. Info, 867-5777.

'THE FOREIGNER': In this comedy, a shy Englishman vacationing in rural Georgia masquerades as an exotic outsider. Pendragon Theatre, Saranac Lake, N.Y., 8 p.m. $20. Info, 518-891-1854.

film

'LADIES IN LAVENDER': See August 10.

'SHARK TALE': Robert DeNiro and Martin Scorsese lend their voices to fishy characters in this feel-good animated feature about telling the truth. Depot Park, Rutland, dusk. Free. Info, 773-9380.

'SCHULTZE GETS THE BLUES': In this German comedy, a tubby, polka-playing miner takes his accordion from Zurich to zydeco country. Loew Auditorium, Hopkins Center, Dartmouth College, Hanover, N.H., 7 p.m. $7. Info, 603-646-2422.

art

Also, see exhibitions in Section A.

GLASS BLOWING DEMONSTRATIONS: See August 10.

QUILT EXHIBITION: See August 10.

COMMUNITY DARKROOM: Shutterbugs develop film and print pictures at the Center for Photographic Studies, Barre, 6-9 p.m. $8 per hour. Info, 479-4127.

POLYMER JEWELRY DEMO: Artist Marie Davis rolls and cuts elaborate designs at the Vermont Artisans' Gallery, Waitsfield, noon - 4 p.m. Free. Info, 496-6256.

talks

'THE ALLEN BROTHERS': Historian Vincent Feeney explains how Colonial-era real estate speculators enriched Vermont's first family of developers. Lake Champlain Maritime Museum, Basin Harbor, Vergennes, 7 p.m. Free. Info, 475-2022.

POPULATION TALK: Bill Ryerson, president and founder of the Population Media Center, discusses his organization's work. Then Planned Parenthood's Nancy Mosher talks about starting a national dialogue on sexual health. Firehouse Center for the Visual Arts, Burlington, 7 p.m. Free. Info, 985-8156.

kids

ANIMAL FEEDING: See August 10.

BIRD FEEDING: See August 10.

TEEN TIME: See August 10.

SOUTH BURLINGTON LIBRARY STORYTIME: Youngsters of all ages get together for easy listening at the South Burlington Library, 10 a.m. Free. Info, 652-7080.

WESTFORD STORYTIME: Kids ponder picture books and create crafts at the Westford Library, 11 a.m. Free. Info, 878-5639.

BABY PLAYGROUP: Fathers and their offspring bond through fun and games. Family Center, Montpelier, 6 p.m. Free. Info, 828-8765.

KIDS' GARDEN TOUR: Young ones explore the world of plants on a walk around the Four Seasons Garden Center, Williston, 10 a.m. & 1 p.m. Free. Info, 658-2433.

'LITTLE ROOTS' STORYTIME: Kids gather in the garden to hear tales about plants, flowers and bugs. Four Seasons Garden Center, Williston, 11 a.m. Free. Info, 658-2433.

BABY TIME: Little ones up to age 2 meet each other at the Pierson Library, Shelburne, 10:15 a.m. Free. Info, 985-5124.

BARRE LIBRARY STORYTIME: Summer readers get crafty at the Aldrich Public Library, Barre, 1 p.m. Free. Info, 476-7550.

'LITTLE MOUSE': A small animal makes a trip to the seashore in the stage adaptation of Arnold Lobel's fanciful book, *Fables*. McCarthy Arts Center, St. Michael's College, Colchester, 8 p.m. $8. Info, 654-2281.

'BUNNICULA': Small sleuths take in this mystery play about a pet rabbit that takes a bite out of the veggie garden. Pendragon Theatre, Saranac Lake, N.Y., 11 a.m. $8-20. Info, 518-891-1854.

TIE-DYE FESTIVAL: Kids of all ages bring cotton T-shirts, socks and pillowcases to create colorful, groovy patterns. Kellogg-Hubbard Library, Montpelier, 1-3 p.m. Free. Info, 223-3338.

sport

QUECHEE GORGE TOUR: See August 10.

WAITSFIELD WALK: Strollers take a 6-mile mosey along the Mad River Greenway. Call for meeting location and time. Free. Info, 223-7035.

COMMUNITY ROWING: First time afloat? Fear not — weather permitting, anyone can take a 32-foot pilot gig for a spin. Lake Champlain Maritime Museum, Basin Harbor, Vergennes, 6 p.m. Free. Info, 475-2022.

FAMILY HIKE: The Green Mountain Club offers an all-ages nature walk on its newest footpath. GMC Headquarters, Waterbury Center, 9:30 a.m., noon. $5. Info, 244-7037.

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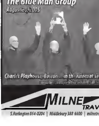

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BURLINGTON PEACE VIGIL: See August 10.

WAL-MART DEVELOPMENT HEARING: Local residents and farmers respond to the Agency of Natural Resources about the box store chain's pavement plan for a storm-water permit. St. Albans Town Education Center, 6 p.m. Free. Info, 241-3777.

RICHMOND PEACE VIGIL: Concerned citizens support U.S. troops while expressing hope for an end to Middle Eastern deployments. Bring a candle to the Congregational Church, Richmond, 5:30 p.m. Free. Info, 434-2053.

DRINKING LIBERALLY: Bottom-up democracy fuels discussion at a meeting of political progressives. American Flatbread, Burlington, 6-11 p.m. Free. Info, 267-237-7488.

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'PREDATORS OF THE SKY': See August 10.

CHOCOLATE DIPPING DEMO: See August 10.

FARMERS' MARKET: See August 10. Mills Riverside Park, Route 15, Jericho, 3-6:30 p.m. Info, 425-2665.

HISTORY CRUISE: See August 10.

BOOK SALE: See August 10.

THE GREAT VERMONT CORN MAZE: See August 10.

EQUESTRIAN ACROBATICS: Hermann's Royal Lipizzan Stallions of Austria catch some air. Knight Point State Park, North Hero, 6 p.m. $17. Info, 372-8400.

INTERVALE THURSDAY: Dave Zuckerman, an organic farmer and Burlington rep, updates on GMOs in Vermont. Then the Tilston Gems unload the reggae and rock at the Calkins Community Barn, Burlington Intervale, 5 p.m. Free. Info, 660-0440.

NORTHERN LIGHTS DINNER CRUISE: Golden oldies from the 1950s nostalgic band Rumble Seat recreate a Lakeshore sock hop. Departs from King Street Ferry Dock, Burlington, 7 p.m. $35. Info, 864-9669.

COLCHESTER-MILTON ROTARY CLUB: Over lunch, local businesspeople hear police officer Mike Pannon's overview of the Colchester Technical Rescue squad. Hampton Inn, Colchester, noon. Free. Info, 651-1490.

BLUEBERRIES AND MUSIC: Harvest high-bush blue fruit to mouth harp melodies by The Harmonica Man. Owl's Head Blueberry Farm, Richmond, 6-8:15 p.m. Donations. Info, 434-3387.

TOASTMASTERS CLUB: Amateur orators sharpen their speaking skills before a supportive audience. McClure MultiGenerational Center, Burlington, 7 p.m. Free. Info, 878-2401.

BURLINGTON BUSINESS ASSOCIATION: Community businesspeople in fiesta costumes belly up to the taco bar at Rogue's Restaurant Mexicano, Burlington, 5:30-7:30 p.m. $12 includes meal. Reservations and info, 863-1175.

CHEESEMAKING TOUR: A 20-minute trip teaches about artisanal wheels crafted with sheep and cows' milk. Three Shepherds Farm, Warren, noon-6 p.m. Free. Info, 496-4566.

'PULL FOR NATURE': Volunteers paddle provided canoes to rip out invasive water chestnuts from the lower Champlain Valley watershed. Call for West Haven area meeting location, 8 a.m. - 3 p.m. Free. Info, 265-5565.

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music

Also, see clubdates in Section A.

ADAMANT PIANO CONCERT: See August 10. Free.

OTTER CREEK MUSIC SERIES: The sizzling hot country Seth Pronfeh brings Vermont-made music to the Town Hall Theater, Middlebury, 7 p.m. $10. Info, 382-9222.

VILLAGE HARMONY: Teens from this folk-singing ensemble share music from Eastern Europe and Africa. Grace Church, Sheldon, 7 p.m. $5-8. Info, 326-4653.

CARILLON CONCERT: Alexander Solovev of Belgium's Mechelen Carillon School rings listeners' bells. Mead Chapel, Middlebury College, 4 p.m. Free. Info, 443-3168.

INTERVALE FOUNDATION BENEFIT CONCERT: The Green Rocket Boys plunge into bluegrass faves, followed by the harp-riffic Gordon Stone Band. Calkins Community Barn, Burlington, 6:30-8 p.m. $10. Info, 863-1253.

THE ROSE TATTOO: The five train hoppers from the band formed by legendary folkster Utah Phillips sing American railroad stories and labor anthems. Cabot Public Library, 7 p.m. Free. Info, 563-2721.

COUNTERPOINT: Robert DeCormier directs this professional vocal ensemble in a selection of folk songs, spirituals and a recently commissioned piece titled "Everything Is Music." North Congregational Church, St. Johnsbury, 8 p.m. $15. Info, 259-2327.

LAKE CHAMPLAIN BLUEGRASS FESTIVAL: The Del McCoury Band, The Gibson Brothers and other groups come together for this weekend of family fun and dueling banjos. Route 2, Alburg, various times. $16-65, free camping. Info, 482-7110.

PIPING HOT

Any bagpipe other than the resoundingly loud and well-known Great Highland variety now synonymous with Scotland can be considered "alternative." For over 20 years, the world's top makers, teachers and players of English pipes, Scottish Smallpipes, Border pipe and Irish Uilleann pipes, to name a few, have converged on North Hero. There they've staged concerts, absorbed instrumental history and repair know-how, and learned from masters in the field. After years of tenting it, though, the Pipers' Gathering heads south to cushier, more spacious digs in Killington. Participants can look forward to more weatherproof venues for when the pipers are in session.

THE PIPERS' GATHERING **Friday through Monday, August 12-15. The Killington Grand Hotel Resort, various times. $15-50. Info, 584-4080. http://www.pipersgathering.org**

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PIPERS' GATHERING International teachers, performers and crafters of alternative bagpipes convene for music workshops, dancing and shop talk. See calendar spotlight. The Killington Grand Hotel Resort, noon - 8 p.m. $15.50. Info, 584-4080.

VERMONT ROOTS REGGAE FESTIVAL Jah love! Two days of fine vibes from the likes of Transylvnc, Bisse Dollimore and Roots Nation keep it mellow up in the Kingdom. 1647 Pine Hill Road, Coventry, noon - 10 p.m. $53. Info, 843-5046.

dance

BALLROOM DANCE SOCIAL. Singles and couples of all ages learn ballroom, swing and Latin dancing. Jazzercize Studio, Williston, 7 p.m. $10. Info, 862-2207.

BURLINGTON CONTRA DANCE Traditional dancers turn out to tunes by Owen Marshall and Ebenezer Casey Rock. Peter Dan O'Connell makes the rounds. St. Anthony's Church Hall, Burlington, 8 p.m. $7. Info, 434-2446.

'NATIONAL DANCE COMPANY OF LUMBERLAND' Bread and Puppet offers a kaleidoscope of dance theater set in an allegorical country. New Building, Bread and Puppet Farm, Glover, 8 p.m. Donations. Info, 525-3031.

drama

'KISS ME, KATE' See August 10, 8 p.m.

'YOU'RE A GOOD MAN, CHARLIE BROWN' See August 10, 8 p.m.

'I LOVE YOU, YOU'RE PERFECT, NOW CHANGE' See August 10.

'THE SEEN CHRONICLES' See August 10.

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'FLYING FEATHERS' See August 11.

'THE LION IN WINTER' See August 11.

'THE FOREIGNER' See August 11.

'THE ISLAND' In this play by Athol Fugard, two South African political prisoners perform Sophocles' Antigone. Unadilla Theatre, North Montpelier, 7:30 p.m. $20. Info, 456-8968.

'ROMEO & JULIET' The New England Shakespeare Festival presents a fast-paced, interactive version of the Bard's play about star-crossed lovers. Unitarian Church lawn, Woodstock, picnic 5 p.m., play 6 p.m. $12. Info, 457-3481.

'THE LAST FIVE YEARS' Real-life newlyweds Piero and Andrea Honan co-star in this poignant exploration of a young couple's courtship and marriage. Randy Preston for the Arts, Waitsfield, 8 p.m. $15. Info, 496-4781.

'LITTLE SHOP OF HORRORS' This offbeat musical about a nerdy florist and a carnivorous plant grows on audiences at the Haskell Opera House, Derby Line, 7:30 p.m. $12. Info, 334-8145.

CIRCUS SMIRKUS The Vermont kids' troupe presents its take on Pinocchio — complete with live Italian music and puppetry by Sandglass Theater. Montpelier High School, 2 & 7 p.m. $15. Info, 533-7443.

'A PRAIRIE HOME COMPANION' Comedian and author Garrison Keillor broadcasts his weekly two-hour, Midwestern-accented radio music show live from the Shelburne Museum Green, gates 5 p.m., show 6:30 p.m. $55. Info, 888-612-7489.

film

'HEIGHTS' Glenn Close stars as a high-powered actress in this film about romantic duplicity. Catamount Arts Center, St. Johnsbury, 7 p.m. $4.50. Info, 748-2600.

'THE WILD PARROTS OF TELEGRAPH HILL' Set in San Francisco, this documentary follows a drifter who befriends 45 talking birds. Spaulding Auditorium, Hopkins Center, Dartmouth College, Hanover, N.H., 7:30 p.m. $8. Info, 603-646-2422.

art

Also, see exhibitions in Section A.

GLASS BLOWING DEMONSTRATIONS See August 10.

QUILT EXHIBITION See August 10.

kids

ANIMAL FEEDING See August 10.

BIRD FEEDING See August 10.

'LITTLE MOUSE' See August 11.

'THE MUSIC MAN' Early risers shimmy and shake with sing-player Pete Alsen. Waterbury Branch Library, 9 a.m. Free. Info, 244-7036.

'MUSIC WITH ROBERT AND GIGI' Kids sing along with Robert Resnik and his fiddle-playing friend Gigi Weisman. Fletcher Free Library, Burlington, 11 a.m. Free. Registration and info, 865-7216.

PRESCHOOL PLAY TIME Parents accompany kids ages 2 to 5 for stories and fun activities. Winooski Memorial Library, 10:30 a.m. Free. Info, 655-6424.

AFTERNOON CRAFTS Summer sculptors ages 7 and up get creative at the Winooski Memorial Library, 3 p.m. Free. Info, 655-6424.

'IMAGINE THAT' Side-splitter and musician Steven Richard Lindholm leads little ones in singing stories. South Burlington High School Auditorium, 2 p.m. Free. Info, 652-7000.

sport

SENIOR EXERCISE: See August 10, 10 a.m.

QUECHEE GORGE TOUR: See August 10.

activism

BURLINGTON PEACE VIGIL See August 10.

SKILLS SHARE. Three days of camping and strategic workshops help activists from the labor, civil rights, gay rights and environmental movements make progress toward common political goals. Televen Farm, West Windsor, 8 a.m. - 8 p.m. $10-15 per day. Registration and info, 613-2298.

etc

'PREDATORS OF THE SKY' See August 10.

CHOCOLATE DIPPING DEMO See August 10.

FARMERS' MARKETS See August 10. Volunteers Green, Richmond, 3-6:30 p.m. Info, 434-6273. Westford Green, 4-6:30. Free. Info, 878-7405. Route 15, Hardwick, 3-6 p.m. Free. Info, 472-6584.

HISTORY CRUISE: See August 10.

BOOK SALE. See August 10.

THE GREAT VERMONT CORN MAZE: See August 10.

EQUESTRIAN ACROBATICS See August 11.

CHEESEMAKING TOUR. See August 11.

TERTULIA LATINA. Latinoamericanos and other fluent Spanish speakers converse en español at Radio Bean, Burlington, 5:30-7:30 p.m. Free. Info, 863-3440.

BODYWORK THERAPY Acupuncturist and Qi Gong instructor Scott Moylan demonstrates various aspects of Eastern medicine. Touchstone Healing Arts, South Burlington, 6-7:30 p.m. Free. Info, 658-7715.

LEARNING STRATEGIES WORKSHOP Adult students hear how to make the most of educational opportunities. Community College of Vermont, Burlington, noon - 1:30 p.m. Free. Registration and info, 800-642-3177.

STOWE CLASSIC CAR MEET Antique auto enthusiasts celebrate vintage vehicles and historic fire trucks with a parade, street races and car fashion show. Nichols Field, Route 100, Stowe, various times. $6. Info, 802-253-2132.

SAT.13

music

Also, see clubdates in Section A.

OTTER CREEK MUSIC SERIES: See August 12. Pale Moon rises first with eclectic funk rock, followed by the five jam-band phenoms of Named by Strangers.

THE ROSE TATTOO See August 12. Socialist Labor Party Hall, Barre, 7 p.m. $10. Info, 476-0567.

COUNTERPOINT See August 12. Unitarian Church, Burlington.

LAKE CHAMPLAIN BLUEGRASS FESTIVAL See August 12.

PIPERS' GATHERING See August 12, 9 a.m. - 10 p.m.

VERMONT ROOTS REGGAE FESTIVAL See August 12, 10 a.m. - midnight.

'THE YOUNG TRADITION' Vocal group Village Harmony and singer-songwriter Anais Mitchell join a slew of folk musicians and dancers under 25 in a concert by up-and-comers. See calendar spotlight. Vergennes Opera House, 7:30 p.m. $15. Info, 877-6737.

RIPK GIBALLOR The button accordionist extraordinaire also plays traditional tunes on banjo and concertina. The Bloggs Carriage Bookstore, Brandon, 7 p.m. Free. Info, 247-0050.

JENNI JOHNSON & THE JUNKETEERS: The local diva belts out blues and Motown hits at a Vermont Festival of the Arts concert. Valley Players Theater, Waitsfield, 7:30 p.m. $25. Info, 583-1674.

LOS MICROWAVES The '80s new wave band whose classic hails from Woodstock serves techno-salsa punk pop at a reunion concert. Town Hall Theater, Woodstock, 7:30 p.m. $10. Info, 457-2620.

dance

BALLROOM DANCE SOCIAL. See August 12.

drama

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'YOU'RE A GOOD MAN, CHARLIE BROWN' See August 10, 8 p.m.

'I LOVE YOU, YOU'RE PERFECT, NOW CHANGE' See August 10, 2 & 8 p.m. $21-28.

'BAT BOY: THE MUSICAL' See August 10.

'FOOLS' See August 11.

'MEASURE FOR MEASURE' See August 11, 1 & 7:30 p.m.

'FLYING FEATHERS' See August 11.

'THE LION IN WINTER' See August 11, 4 & 8:30 p.m. $35-40.

'THE LAST FIVE YEARS' See August 12.

'LITTLE SHOP OF HORRORS' See August 12.

CIRCUS SMIRKUS: See August 12.

'EL CONQUISTADOR!' This solo multimedia performance features a Colombian peasant who finds work as the doorman at a big-city high-rise. Warner Bentley Theater, Hopkins Center, Dartmouth College, Hanover, N.H., 5 p.m. $10. Info, 603-646-2422.

'TEACH' In this two-man show, an idealistic high school teacher gets a visit from a student years after graduation. Warner Bentley Theater, Hopkins Center, Dartmouth College, Hanover, N.H., 8 p.m. $30. Info, 603-646-2422.

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film

'HEIGHTS': See August 12.

'PALINDROMES': In this cinematic reflection of *Alice in Wonderland*, a young runaway undertakes an oddly funny journey. Loew Auditorium, Hopkins Center, Dartmouth College, Hanover, N.H., 7 & 9:15 p.m. $7. Info, 603-646-2422.

HOME MOVIE DAY: Experts evaluate and offer advice on storage, care and transfer of old 8- and 16 mm movies, then community members screen family footage to rediscover the past preserved on celluloid. Burlington College, evaluation 10 a.m.-1 p.m.; screenings 1-4 p.m. Free. Info, 862-9616.

art

Also, see exhibitions in Section A.

GLASS BLOWING DEMONSTRATIONS: See August 10. Granville location only.

QUILT EXHIBITION: See August 10.

ARTIST MARKET: Local artists show their stuff and offer original works for sale. Firehouse Center for the Visual Arts Plaza, Burlington, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Free. Info, 865-5352.

OIL PAINTING DEMO: Palette-wielder Joe Arcovitch gives tips on brushes and techniques. Artists' Mediums, Williston, 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. Free. Info, 879-1236.

RAKU FIRING WORKSHOP: Potters create Japanese-style ceramics using this dramatically fast 1500-degree technique. Wilder Farm Inn, Waitsfield, 4-8 p.m. $35, free to watch. Registration and info, 496-9935.

JUNK ART CONTEST: Volunteers clean up detritus from the Mad River, then create sculptural treasures from the trash. Meet at the Vermont Arts Festival Welcome Center, 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. Free. Info, 496-7127.

ART IN THE PARK: The band Blue Cat Groove provides music for Vermont's oldest continuous art fair, complete with fine art, handicrafts and specialty food vendors. Main Street Park, Rutland, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. Donations. Info, 775-0356.

talks

'EYES TO THE SKY': Members of the Vermont Astronomical Society share photos of their view of space, then demonstrate the capabilities of homemade instruments. ECHO Center, Burlington, 2 p.m. $9. Info, 864-1848.

kids

ANIMAL FEEDING: See August 10.

BIRD FEEDING: See August 10.

'LITTLE MOUSE': See August 11, 10 a.m. & 4 p.m.

'SATURDAY STORIES': Librarians read from popular picture books at the Burnham Memorial Library, Colchester, 10 a.m. Free. Info, 879-0313.

BORDERS STORYTIME: Little bookworms listen to stories at Borders, Burlington, 11 a.m. Free. Info, 865-2711.

CHILDREN'S STORYTIME: Youngsters take in their favorite tales at the Book Rack & Children's Pages, Essex, 10 a.m. Free. Info, 872-2627.

BARNES & NOBLE STORYTIME: Kids ages 4 and up settle down for stories at Barnes & Noble, South Burlington, 11 a.m. Free. Info, 864-8001.

'LILLY'S PURPLE PLASTIC PURSE': Lost Nation Theater offers a musical take on Kevin Henkes' mouse-populated picture book. Montpelier City Hall Auditorium, 11 a.m. $5-8. Info, 229-0492.

sport

QUECHEE GORGE TOUR: See August 10, noon & 2 p.m.

WEEKEND TRAIL WORK: Volunteers wear gloves to help build a shelter and keep the Smugglers' Notch trail looking good. Meet at Montpelier High School, 8 a.m., or Smugglers' Notch parking lot, 9 a.m. Free. Info, 223-0566.

MOUNT INDEPENDENCE TOUR: Experienced guides lead explorers on a hike through Revolutionary War history. Mount Independence State Historic Site, Orwell, 2 p.m. $5. Info, 948-2000.

BIKE FERRY: Cyclists can pedal all the way between Burlington and the Champlain Islands, thanks to Local Motion's causeway-crossing ferry. Colchester Causeway, 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. $5 day pass. Info, 652-2453.

MT. ORFORD HIKE: Border-crossers venture into Canada for an 8-mile trek up this Quebec mountain. Call for meeting location and time. Free. Info, 878-6773.

CONSERVATION WALK: Like lizards? Middlebury College herpetologist Jim Andrews talks about preserving habitat for reptiles and amphibians in the Otter Creek Gorge Preserve. Meet at the Trail Access in Middlebury parking lot, 9 a.m. Donations. Info, 388-1007.

HARPOON COMMUNITY RIDE: Two-wheeling townies tag along on the last 30 miles of a day-long statewide cycle to benefit the Vermont Foodbank. Meet at Battery Park, Burlington, 5 p.m.; post-ride celebration at 8 p.m. $25 includes dinner; kids under 12 free. Info, 888-427-7644.

WEDNESDAY 10 - SATURDAY 13

LOVE BUG

It's been said before, and the current production at St. Michael's Playhouse says it again: The only certainty in life is change. But instability can be welcome, and even funny. The musical *I Love You, You're Perfect, Now Change* takes hilarity to heart. Two couples flit through self-contained scenes that run the relationship gamut, from first date to first fight, through marriage, child-rearing and widowhood. Between them, the four actors cover 15 roles, making reflex-quick transitions worthy of improv comedy competitions. You may feel like you're watching your own life on fast forward, or someone else's reality — 48 past productions of the show have featured an audience member proposing on stage. Better bring some tissues.

I LOVE YOU, YOU'RE PERFECT, NOW CHANGE. **Wednesday through Saturday, August 10-13. McCarthy Arts Center, St. Michael's College, Colchester, various times. $21-28. Info, 654-2281. http://www.saintmichaelsplayhouse.com**

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activism

SKILL SHARE: See August 12.
GREEN MOUNTAIN O.W.L.: Politically active older women convene to advocate around ageism and other issues. Windjammer Restaurant, South Burlington, 11:30 a.m. Free. Info, 658-3652.

etc

'PREDATORS OF THE SKY': See August 10.
FARMERS' MARKETS: See August 10. 60 State Street, Montpelier, 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. Free. Info, 685-4360. Burlington City Hall Park, 8:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. Free. Info, 888-889-8188. Mad River Green, Waitsfield, 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. Free. Info, 496-5856. Craftsbury Common, 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. Free. Info, 586-8022. Depot Park, Rutland, 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. Free. Info, 773-9380.
HISTORY CRUISE: See August 10.
BOOK SALE: See August 10.
THE GREAT VERMONT CORN MAZE: See August 10.
EQUESTRIAN ACROBATICS: See August 11, 2:30 p.m.
NORTHERN LIGHTS DINNER CRUISE: See August 11, 6 p.m. Do you come from the land down under? Men at Work vocalist Colin Hay dishes up mid-1980s music.
CHEESEMAKING TOUR: See August 12.
STOWE CLASSIC CAR MEET: See August 12, parade begins at 3:30 p.m. on the Stowe Mountain Road.
MEET THE RAPTORS: Learn about one of the resident birds of prey and its species, and find out how it landed at the VINS Nature Center, Quechee. 10 a.m. $8. Info, 359-5000.
PRESERVATION BURLINGTON TOUR: A stroll around the [illegible] provides a new appreciation for downtown architecture. A second tour explores the waterfront. Burlington City Hall, 11 a.m. & Perkins Pier, 2 p.m. $5. Info, 863-1377.
BRICK HOUSE TOURS: Appreciators of Colonial Revival interiors take in the newly restored residence of museum founder Electra Havemeyer Webb. Shelburne Museum, 10:30 a.m. & 1 p.m. $20. Info, 985-3346, ext. 3377.
COMMUNITY YARD SALE: Bargain-hunters peruse piles of toys, kids' clothing, appliances, furniture and gardening gear to support local children's advocacy groups. Champlain Valley Exposition, Essex Junction, 8 a.m. - 2 p.m. Free. Info, 863-9626.
PINE FOREST BENEFIT: Live jazz adds sparkle to a silent auction and fundraiser for a new playground at a local children's center. Firehouse Center for the Visual Arts, Burlington, 5-8 p.m. $10 includes nibbles. Info, 888-5334.

LAND TRUST CONFERENCE: The Vermont and South Hero conservation organizations team up to ponder food, farms and the state's future. Field trips, bike tours, lunch and live music frame a keynote speech by George Schenk of American Flatbread. Wells Family Farm, South Hero, 8 a.m. - 3 p.m. $8. Reservations and info, 223-5234, ext. 206.
LOBSTERFEST: Crack crustaceans or choose chicken with your coleslaw at this community supper. North Ferrisburgh United Methodist Church, 4:30-7:30 p.m. $5-18. Reservations and info, 425-3020.
COMMUNITY DAY: Fireworks in Baxter Park round out a festive day of face painting, craft displays, square dancing and pony rides. Derby Line, various venues, 8 a.m. - dusk. Free. Info, 873-3420.
MODEL ROCKET LAUNCH: Weather permitting, fans of pyrotechnics and mini parachutes lay low for lift-offs. Old Stage Road, Essex, call for time and location. Free. Info, 893-3687.
ETHAN ALLEN TOWER CENTENNIAL: Citizens celebrate this local monument's 100th birthday with festivities, tours and a parade with 40-plus participating groups. See calendar spotlight. Ethan Allen Park and surrounding area, Burlington, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. Free. Info, 883-5155.
VERMONT ANTIQUES DIRT ROAD SHOW: Get the value and history of your old stuff assessed by local expert Neal Harrington. Vermont Arts Festival Welcome Center, Waitsfield, noon - 4 p.m. $10 per item, free to watch. Info, 482-2907.
INNOVATIVE ARCHITECTURE TOUR: Lovers of built space visit architect-designed homes and meet the people who live in them. Departs from Yestermorrow Design/Build School, Warren, 8:30 a.m. - 4 p.m. $35-45 includes transportation, lunch separate. Registration and info, 496-5545.
SHEEPDOG TRIALS: Border collies brave a test that's equal parts sport, craft and work. Bring a lawn chair to Kenyon's Field, [illegible]. 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. Free. Info, 496-2926.

SUN.14

music

Also, see clubdates in Section A.
VILLAGE HARMONY: See August 12. Cornwall Congregational Church, 7:30 p.m. $5-8. Info, 462-3138.
COUNTERPOINT: See August 12. Universalist Church, Barre, 4 p.m.
LAKE CHAMPLAIN BLUEGRASS FESTIVAL: See August 12.
PIPERS' GATHERING: See August 12, 9 a.m. - 10 p.m.
CHITTENDEN STRING QUARTET: Four local musicians accent an art show with compositions by Brahms and Shostakovich, among others. Fisk Farm, Isle La Motte, 2, 3 & 4 p.m. $5-10. Info, 928-3364.
KIRTAN SINGING: Yoga students stretch vocal cords with chants in Sanskrit. Yoga Vermont, Burlington, 7 p.m. Free. Info, 566-7711.
ROCHESTER CHAMBER MUSIC SOCIETY: The Montana String Quartet, named after Beethoven's supposed "Immortal Beloved," plays pieces by Haydn, Shostakovich and Debussy. Rochester Federated Church, pre-concert talk 3:30 p.m., concert 4 p.m. Donations. Info, 767-9234.

dance

DANCES OF UNIVERSAL PEACE: Meditative movers promote peace through joyful circle dances. Montpelier Shambhala Center, 4-6 p.m. $5-7. Info, 458-2447.

drama

'KISS ME, KATE': See August 10, 7 p.m.
'YOU'RE A GOOD MAN, CHARLIE BROWN': See August 10, 6:30 p.m.
'THE DEVIL CHRONICLES': See August 10, 2 p.m.
'BAT BOY: THE MUSICAL': See August 10.
'TOOLS': See August 11.
'THIS IS OUR YOUTH': See August 11.
'MEASURE FOR MEASURE': See August 11, 2 p.m.
'THE LION IN WINTER': See August 11, 3 p.m. $35.
'THE LAST FIVE YEARS': See August 12.
'LITTLE SHOP OF HORRORS': See August 12, 2 p.m.
CIRCUS SMIRKUS: See August 12.
'NATIONAL CIRCUS & PASSION PLAY OF THE CORRECT MOMENT': Bread and Puppet prompts political engagement with vaudeville-inspired outdoor pageantry. Bread and Puppet Farm, Glover, museum tour 1 p.m., show 2 p.m. Donations. Info, 525-3031.
'IT'S A WONDERFUL LIFE' AUDITIONS: Actors try out for a musical version of the classic film about a suicidal salesman who makes good. The Barre Opera House, children audition 10 - 12 p.m., adults in the chorus, 2 p.m. Free. Info, 244-1981.

film

'HEIGHTS': See August 12.
'BEYOND 88 KEYS': This documentary focuses on local professional pianist Michael Arnowitt's activism and lifelong musicianship. Warren Public Library, 4 p.m. Free. Info, 496-5458.
'SEVEN CHANCES': In this 1925 film, Buster Keaton stars as a romantically jinxed man who must marry in order to inherit a fortune. Pianist Bob Merrill provides live accompaniment. Spaulding Auditorium, Hopkins Center, Dartmouth College, Hanover, N.H., 7 p.m. $7. Info, 603-646-2422.

art

Also, see exhibitions in Section A.
GLASS BLOWING DEMONSTRATIONS: See August 10. Granville location only.
QUILT EXHIBITION: See August 10.
ART IN THE PARK: See August 13, 10 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
SELF-GUIDED STUDIO TOUR: Want to see artists in their element? Take an impromptu peek into the workspaces of Kelly Kramer, Marilyn Ruseckas and three other creative types. Starts at the Sugarbush Chamber of Commerce, 9:45 a.m. - 4 p.m. $10-25. Info, 496-7607.

kids

ANIMAL FEEDING: See August 10.
BIRD FEEDING: See August 10.

sport

QUECHEE GORGE TOUR: See August 10, noon & 2 p.m.
BIKE FERRY: See August 11.
NATURE WALK: Wildlife enthusiasts explore the woods around the Birds of Vermont Museum, Huntington, 2 p.m. $5. Info, 434-2167.
SAILBOAT RACE: Rain or shine, "Don't worry, be happy" is the theme of this weekly Juniper Island race that starts at the south point of the breakwater. Burlington Bay, Lake Champlain, 2 p.m. Free. Info, 866-8183.
CAMEL'S HUMP: A caravan of hikers makes a 7-mile trek on various moderate-to-difficult trails to reach the top. Call for meeting location and time. Free. Info, 309-3685.
MONTREAL RIDE: A cyclist from the City of Saints leads others on a mostly flat, 45-mile tour through town. Meet to carpool to Canada at Chimney Corners Park & Ride, Milton, 8:15 a.m. Free. Bring appropriate documents. Info, 865-2805.

activism

SKILL SHARE: See August 12.

etc

'PREDATORS OF THE SKY': See August 10.
ESL GROUP: See August 10, 2-4 p.m.
FARMERS' MARKET: See August 10. Red Barn Shops field, Stowe, 10:30 a.m. - 3 p.m. Free. Info, 472-8027.
BOOK SALE: See August 10.
THE GREAT VERMONT CORN MAZE: See August 10.
EQUESTRIAN ACROBATICS: See August 11, 2:30 p.m.

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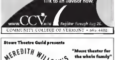
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NORTHERN LIGHTS DINNER CRUISE. See August 11. The Rich Magnuson Quintet makes music after a lobster feast meal.
CHEESEMAKING TOUR. See August 11.
STOWE CLASSIC CAR MEET. See August 12.
'MEET THE RAPTOR.' See August 13.
BRICK HOUSE TOURS. See August 13.
COMMUNITY YARD SALE. See August 13.
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HANDS-ON HISTORY. Relive the past with ancient stone-tool exhibitions and old-time games. Chimney Point State Historic Site, Addison, 2-4 p.m. $3. Info, 759-2412.
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NIGHT SKY VIEW. Visitors check out satellites and shooting stars inside a specially built planetarium. ECHO Center, Burlington, 2 p.m. $9. Info, 864-1848.
OLD STONE HOUSE DAY. Local musicians enliven historical exhibits, traditional craft demos and activities for all ages. Old Stone House Museum, Brownington, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. Free. Info, 754-2022.
'ALL ABOARD!' Toy train buffs of all ages appreciate vintage accessories in a working layout. See calendar spotlight. Shelburne Museum, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. $9-18. Info, 985-3346.
BURLINGTON AREA SCRABBLE CLUB. Letter wranglers make every word count in a tournament-style competition. Bring your friend to Allenwood, 90 Allen Road, South Burlington, 2-6 p.m. Free. Info, 862-7558.
VERMONT ANTIQUARIAN BOOK FAIR. Bibliophiles seeking first editions, maps or rare volumes browse the stalls at this semi-annual sale. Union Arena, Woodstock, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. $4. Info, 484-8438.

drama

'A WONDERFUL LIFE' AUDITIONS: See August 14. Adults in particular roles, 6 p.m.
'THE COMPLETE WORKS OF WLLM SHKSPR (ABRIDGED)': Laughter ensues when Augenblick Theatre Company pulls a fast one on the Bard. Basin Harbor Club, Vergennes, 8 p.m. $10. Info, 475-7823.

film

'HEIGHTS': See August 12.
SILENT FILM NIGHT. Original live scores composed on the spot accompany silver-screen lives starring Laurel and Hardy, Charlie Chaplin and Buster Keaton. Hardy Center for the Arts, Waitsfield, 7 p.m. $8. Info, 496-4781.

art

Also, see exhibitions in Section A.
GLASS BLOWING DEMONSTRATIONS: See August 10. Waitsfield location only.
QUILT EXHIBITION. See August 10.
COMMUNITY DARKROOM. See August 11.
LIFE DRAWING SESSION. Creative types try a hand at sketching. Wolfe Kahn Building, Vermont Studio Center, Johnson, 6-8 p.m. $7. Info, 635-2727.

talks

'THE NEW HAVEN RIVER': Environmental geologist Kristen Underwood documents short- and long-term conservation plans for this local river's watershed. Lincoln Library, 7 p.m. Free. Info, 453-2665.
'9/11 PLUS FOUR YEARS': David Sanger, White House correspondent for *The New York Times*, offers an insider's view of the Bush Administration's foreign policy on counter-terrorism and counter-proliferation. A Q-&-A session follows. Weston Playhouse, 7:30 p.m. $16. Info, 824-5288.

kids

ANIMAL FEEDING: See August 10.
BIRD FEEDING: See August 10.
FAMILY SONG-ALONG: Parents and kids belt out fun, familiar favorites at the Fletcher Free Library, Burlington, 10-10:30 a.m. Free. Info, 865-7216.

sport

SENIOR EXERCISE: See August 10. 10 a.m.
BUTCHER GORGE TOUR. See August 10.

SATURDAY 13

TOWERING SUCCESS

The Norman-style mini-fortress in Burlington's New North End perches atop the highest point in town, on a spot that was once part of Ethan Allen's farm. The tower was built in 1905 by the Vermont Society of the Sons of the American Revolution and named on Bennington Battle Day. After decades of decay, the monument has been restored. Governor Jim Douglas and Mayor Peter Clavelle officiate at a day-long rededication. A parade down North Avenue to Ethan Allen Park features a fife-and-drum corps, a Dixieland jazz band, and color guard marchers. Vendors feed hungry hikers, and cycling-advocacy group Local Motion offers tours and "valet bike parking." Wonder what Mr. Allen would've thought of that.

ETHAN ALLEN TOWER CENTENNIAL. **Saturday, August 13. Ethan Allen Park and surrounding area, Burlington, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. Free. Info, 863-5155. http://users.adelphia.net/~cforll**

MON.15

music

Also, see clubdates in Section A.
VILLAGE HARMONY: See August 12, Community Church, Middletown Springs, 7:30 p.m. $5-8. Info, 235-2734.
PIPERS' GATHERING: See August 12. 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.
CHAMPLAIN ECHOES REHEARSAL. This women's a cappella chorus welcomes new members in four-part harmonies. The Pines Senior Center, South Burlington, 7-9 p.m. Free. Info, 863-2700.

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activism

BURLINGTON PEACE VIGIL: See August 10.

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'PREDATORS OF THE SKY': See August 10.
CHOCOLATE DIPPING DEMO: See August 10.
BOOK SALE: See August 10.
THE GREAT VERMONT CORN MAZE: See August 10.
CHEESEMAKING TOUR: See August 11.
GOLF INVITATIONAL: Teams tee off to benefit the King Street Youth Center. Vermont National Country Club, South Burlington, 11:30 a.m. $800 per foursome per team. Registration and info, 862-5418, ext. 103.
'MEMORY MONDAY': Adults 65 and over take advantage of a free memory screening. University Health Center, Burlington, various times. Free. Registration and info, 847-9488.

TUE.16

music

Also, see clubdates in Section A.
VERMONT YOUNG MUSICIAN AWARD CONCERT: Vocal and instrumental finalists in grades 9-12 perform in competition. Randy Center for the Arts, Waitsfield, 7 p.m. $10. Info, 496-8781.
GREEN MOUNTAIN CHORUS: Male music-makers rehearse barbershop singing and quartetting at St. Francis Xavier School, Winooski, 7-9:30 p.m. Free. Info, 860-6665.
ALLEY CATS CONCERT SERIES: Extra Stout's Irish tunes go down easy with the lunchtime crowd. Center Street Alley, Rutland, 12:30-1:30 p.m. Free. Info, 773-9380.
CASTLETON CONCERT SERIES: Robby Dick and the Bradstreets shine on rock 'n' roll covers. Brass Connection dishes out Dixieland, classic ragtime and pop tunes on the Castleton State College Medical Green, 7 p.m. Free. Info, 273-2911.
TUESDAY NIGHT LIVE CONCERTS: The brass quintet Wind in the Mountains plays breezy compositions at the Legion Field, Johnson, 7 p.m. Free. Info, 635-2270.

dance

LINE DANCING: Show off your fancy footwork at the Harvest Moon Banquet Room, Essex Junction, at 6:30 p.m. $4-$6. Info, 288-8044.
SWING DANCING: Movers of all ages and abilities dance at the Greek Orthodox Church, Burlington, 7:30-9:30 p.m. $3. Info, 860-7501.

drama

'KISS ME, KATE': See August 10, 8 p.m.
'SKY GIRLS': See August 10, 9 p.m. $37.
CIRCUS SMIRKUS: See August 12. Elks Club, Lebanon, N.H.
'NOT ABOUT HEROES': Stephen McDonald's acclaimed play chronicles the friendship between WWI-era British soldier poets Siegfried Sassoon and Wilfred Owen. Unadilla Theatre, North Montpelier, 7:30 p.m. $20. Info, 456-8968.
'ENCHANTED APRIL': In this romantic comedy, four very different women answer a life-changing ad that promises "wisteria and sunshine." Pendragon Theatre, Saranac Lake, N.Y., 8 p.m. $20. Info, 518-891-1854.
PLAY READING GROUP: Theatre on a Shoestring stages a reading of the Bible Belt funeral send-up *Dearly Departed* by David Bottrell and Jessie Jones. Call for meeting location, 7 p.m. Free. Info, 802-212-5884.
'STAND UP SIT DOWN AND LAUGH': Four women and one man — some novices, some old hands, all locals — take turns riffing out club-style comedy. See "Work," this issue. FlynnSpace, Burlington, 7:30 p.m. $8. Info, 863-5966.

film

'HEIGHTS': See August 12.

art

Also, see exhibitions in Section A.
GLASS BLOWING DEMONSTRATIONS: See August 10. Waitsfield location only.
QUILT EXHIBITION: See August 10.

words

BOOK DISCUSSION: Readers of Michael Ondaatje's novel *The English Patient* dissect its plot and other particulars. Winooski Memorial Library, 7 p.m. Free. Info, 655-6424.
BURLINGTON WRITERS' GROUP: Bring pencil, paper and the will to be inspired to the Daily Planet, Burlington, 7-9 p.m. Free. Info, 758-2087.
LORRIE GOLDENSOHN: This Pulitzer Prize-nominated author and scholar examines war poetry by 20th-century soldiers in her book, *Dismantling Glory*. Bear Pond Books, Montpelier, 7 p.m. Free. Info, 229-0774.
EDWARD HIRSCH: The acclaimed poet and president of the Guggenheim Foundation reads from his 2003 collection, *Lay Back the Darkness*. St. Johnsbury Athenaeum, 7:30 p.m. Free. Info, 748-8291.

talks

'MUJERES LIBRES': Martha Ackelsberg, an instructor in the women's studies program at Smith College, discusses *Free Women of Spain*, her book about female anarchists during the Spanish Civil War. Langdon Street Café, Montpelier, 7:30 p.m. Free. Info, 229-0000.

kids

ANIMAL FEEDING: See August 10.
BIRD FEEDING: See August 10.
BROWNELL LIBRARY STORYTIME: See August 10. Toddlers take their turn with tales first, 9:30 & 10:30 a.m.
BARRE LIBRARY STORYTIME: See August 11.
'LILLY'S PURPLE PLASTIC PURSE': See August 13.
TODDLER-AND-UNDER STORYTIME: Wee ones up to age 3 open their ears to songs and stories. South Burlington Community Library, 10 a.m. Free. Info, 652-7080.
ECHO STORYTIME: Young explorers discover the wonders of the natural world through books and lively native play. ECHO Center, Burlington, 11 a.m. $6-9. Info, 864-1848.
STORYTIME SURPRISE: Local celebrities and authors read tales to tots at Aunt's Book Stop, Rutland, 11 a.m. Free. Info, 775-6901.

sport

QUECHEE GORGE TOUR: See August 10.
FLAT WATER PADDLE: Boaters explore Lake Champlain's Woods and Heaton Islands after navigating a difficult, 10-mile course. Call for St. Albans-area meeting location, 8 a.m. Free. Info, 223-3550.
TRAIL RUNNING: Cross-country racers of all ages start on a 5K course, with shorter loops for kids. Catamount Outdoor Family Center, Williston, 6 p.m. $3-5. Info, 879-6001.
VERMONT EXPOS: Burlington's own minor-league baseball team bats against the Tri-City ValleyCats. Centennial Field, Burlington, 7:05 p.m. $4-7. Info, 655-4200.

activism

BURLINGTON PEACE VIGIL: See August 10.

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'PREDATORS OF THE SKY': See August 10.
CHOCOLATE DIPPING DEMO: See August 10.
FARMERS' MARKET: See August 10. Depot Park, Rutland, 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. Free. Info, 773-0380.
BOOK SALE: See August 10.
THE GREAT VERMONT CORN MAZE: See August 10.
NORTHERN LIGHTS DINNER CRUISE: See August 11. $25. Kamikaze Comedy sets the scene for smiles and chuckles.
BLUEBERRIES AND MUSIC: See August 11. Blueberry Breakfast engages seekers of indigo orbs.
CHEESEMAKING TOUR: See August 11.
'PULL FOR NATURE': See August 11.
PAUSE CAFÉ: Novice and fluent French speakers brush up on their linguistics — en français. Borders Café, Burlington, 6 p.m. Free. Info, 655-1366.
'TIME TRAVEL TUESDAYS': Visitors cook on a wood-stove and churn butter, then relax as a farm family would have in the 1890s. Billings Farm & Museum, Woodstock, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. $9.50. Info, 457-2355.
SPANISH CONVERSATION PRACTICE: Patty Pensel helps non-native speakers brush up on their grammar and glosses at the Isley Public Library, 11 a.m. - 12:15 p.m. Free. Info, 388-4098.
'LEAVE NO TRACE' WORKSHOP: Learn how mini-mum impact hiking and backpacking keep Green Mountain hills healthy. The OutdoorGear Exchange, Burlington, 8 p.m. Free. Info, 860-0190.
BERRY VINEGAR MAKING: American Flatbread chefs share the secret of crafting a fruity acid suitable for salad dressing. Bring two clean jars to American Flatbread, Waitsfield, 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. $15 includes lunch. Registration and info, 496-8856.

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music

Also, see clubdates in Section A.
ST. ANDREWS PIPES & DRUMS: See August 10.
CRAFTSBURY CHAMBER PLAYERS: See August 10. Musicians play pieces by Barth, Debussy and Mendelssohn.
ADAMANT PIANO CONCERT: See August 10. Participants show their stuff after master classes with world-renowned soloist Menahem Pressler.
GREGORY DOUGLASS: The Burlington singer-song-writer celebrates the release of his new CD, *Stork*. Brandy Center for the Arts, Waitsfield, 7:30 p.m. $17. Info, 496-8781.
VA-ET VIENT: This band blends guitars, accordions, and vocal harmonies for traditional music from Québec, Louisiana and France. City Hall Park, Barre, 7 p.m. Free. Info, 476-0256.
TOM MACKENZIE: Pass the settle down to hear folk music from around the world played on hammered dulcimer, banjo and guitar. Pierson Library, Shelburne, 6:30 p.m. Free. Info, 985-5124.

dance

'SALSALINA' PRACTICE: See August 10.

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'YOU'RE A GOOD MAN, CHARLIE BROWN' See August 10.
'SKY GIRLS' See August 10.
CIRCUS SMIRKUS See August 12. Elks Club, Lebanon, N.H.
'NOT ABOUT HEROES' See August 16.
'ENCHANTED APRIL' See August 16.
'THE MUSIC MAN' "Seventy-six Trombones" marches onward in this classic about a con man turned-bandleader. Town Hall Theatre, Stowe, 8 p.m. $17. Info, 253-3961.
'JOHN & JEN' This contemporary musical chronicles the childhood of siblings estranged during the Vietnam War. Weston Playhouse Other Stages, 7:30 p.m. $25-26. Info, 854-5288.
LYRIC THEATRE COMPANY INFO MEETING Actors and stage tech types get the toga-clad skinny on an upcoming production of *A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum*. Flynn Theater, Burlington, 7 p.m. Free. Info, 585-8811.

film

'REPORTS' See August 12.
BLUE VINYL This eco-activist documentary puts a human face on the dangers of manufacturing, living with, and disposing of PVC. A discussion follows at Yestermorrow Design/Build School, Warren, 7:30 p.m. Free. Info, 496-5545.
DARTMOUTH DOUBLE FEATURE Hitchcock fans get their fix with *Saboteur* and *North by Northwest*, two flicks in which innocent men must go on the lam. Spaulding Auditorium, Hopkins Center, Dartmouth College, Hanover, N.H., 7 & 9:10 p.m. $7. Info, 603-646-2422.

art

Also, see exhibitions in Section A.
GLASS BLOWING DEMONSTRATIONS See August 10.
QUILT EXHIBITION See August 10.

words

STRATFORD READING SERIES See August 10. Gregory Maguire, author of *Wicked*, shares the podium with former UPI journalist and young adult author Suzanne Fisher Staples.
BREAD LOAF INAUGURAL READING Michael Collier, director of the annual writers' conference, shares the podium with novelist Charles Baxter. Little Theatre, Bread Loaf Campus, Ripton, 8:15 p.m. Free. Info, 443-2700.

talks

MENTAL HEALTH LECTURE Fletcher Allen psychiatrist Terry Rabinowitz describes treatment options for seniors with depression. Sheraton Conference Center, South Burlington, 6:30-8 p.m. Free. Registration and info, 276-9486.

kids

WESTFORD PLAYGROUP See August 10.
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THE GREAT VERMONT CORN MAZE See August 10.
CHICKEN BARBECUE Taste buds are pleased by poultry along with plenty of corn on the cob, but veggie eaters also have an entrée option at the Richmond Congregational Church, 5:30 p.m. $7. Info, 434-2055.
ALZHEIMER'S EDUCATION CONFERENCE Professional and family caregivers partner to help in-home patients. St. Michael's College, Colchester, 8:30 a.m. - 4 p.m. $50-100. Registration and info, 800-272-5900.
BENEFIT BLOCK PARTY In addition to food, dancing and games, singer-songwriter Jon Gailmor and joke-cracking dandy "The Logger" DeWees draw folks to this fundraiser for a local school playground. Elmore Methodist Church Green, 5-8 p.m. $7. Info, 888-2457.
'MAC USERS UNITE' Apple enthusiasts gather for their monthly meeting. Gailer School, Shelburne, 7-9 p.m. Free. Info, 864-1895. ⓑ

SUNDAY 14

RAILROAD TIES

Model trains are fascinating — addictive, even — especially when they're functional. At any train convention you'll find a lot more retired guys playing with tracks and trestles than wide-eyed little kids ogling the engineering possibilities. That's why it's a good thing opening day of the Shelburne Museum's "American Flyer" exhibit is an all-ages affair. Tours of the 1890 Webb family private rail car Grand Isle mesh with programs celebrating local railroad history. Train-themed stories entertain small fry, and steam-powered cinema ranges from Thomas the Tank Engine to Buster Keaton's classic silent feature, *The General*. But the real highlight at this switch station of possibilities is the working layout of vintage American Flyer toy trains and accessories, which visitors can operate. Toot, toot!

ALL ABOARD **Sunday August 14, Shelburne Museum, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. $8-18. Info, 985-3348. http://www.shelburnemuseum.org**

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acting

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bartending

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business

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camps

YOUNG REMBRANDTS DRAWING CLASS: August 15, 17 and 18. Pastel Drawing Camp, 7-12 year-olds, 8:30-10 a.m. $45. Historical Girl Camp, 7-12-year-olds, 10-50 a.m.-noon. $42 or $85 for both camps. Shelburne Craft School. Info, 985-3648.

clay

FIREHOUSE CENTER FOR THE VISUAL ARTS, CLAY AND CRAFT STUDIO: Classes and workshops available for all levels. Fall session begins September 29. Info, 860-7474 or visit www.BurlingtonCityArts.com. *The Clay and Craft Studio is a fully equipped ceramics studio for the novice through the expert artist. Our large, sunny studio has 14 pottery wheels, three kilns, a slab roller, extruder and more than 100 glaze combinations. We offer extensive open studio hours and monthly studio rental for those wishing to further explore their art. Monthly studio rental offers more than 20 hours of use during weekdays, evenings and weekends, and includes glazes and kiln firings.*

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climbing

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FRIDAY NIGHT KIDS' CLUB: Ongoing, every Friday night, 6-9 p.m. Pre-registration required. Petra Cliffs Climbing Center. $25. Info, 802-657-3872 or visit www.petracliffs.com. *Kids: Climb the walls, boulder in the cave, brave the Nemo Bridge and play fun games. Parents: Enjoy an evening out while your kids burn energy, develop coordination, build confidence and practice group problem solving under the supervision of Petra Cliffs staff.*

INTRO TO TRADITIONAL CLIMBING: July 30 and August 9. Petra Cliffs Mountaineering School. $150, includes equipment. 802-657-3872 or visit www.petracliffs.com. *For interested into to expert climbers. Spend a day outdoors practicing the basics of traditional lead climbing. Learn how to place cams, nuts and other protection while on the sharp end. Two-to-one student/guide ratio.*

INTRODUCTION TO ROCK CLIMBING: August 13 and September 10. Petra Cliffs Mountaineering School. $100, includes equipment. Info, 802-657-3872 or visit www.petracliffs.com. *Real rock offers challenges. Experience the basics of rock climbing in a no-pressure, fun environment. Learn climbing knots and belay and climbing techniques.*

ROCK CLIMBING TECHNIQUE: August 14 and September 11. Petra Cliffs Mountaineering School. $100, includes equipment. Info, 802-657-3872 or visit www.petracliffs.com. *Rock climbing takes more than a buff upper body. It requires flexibility, balance and gracefulness. Fine-tuning your body movements will open up a whole new world of climbing. Learn in one day what would take you a whole season to learn by trial and error.*

TOP ROPE SETUP AND BELAY ANCHORS: Two-day, August 27-28. Petra Cliffs Mountaineering School. $160, includes equipment. Info, 802-657-3872 or visit www.petracliffs.com. *Learn how to construct efficient and bombproof belay anchors and safe, solid, top-rope setups. This course is essential for anyone planning to climb outside on their own.*

WOMEN ROCK! August 20 and September 17. Petra Cliffs Mountaineering School. $100, includes equipment. Info, 802-657-3872 or visit www.petracliffs.com. *It has nothing to do with being anti-men, but everything to do with being pro-women. Spend a day rock climbing with women, instructed by women. Learn tips and techniques that complement the female body. Open to all women, all abilities.*

cooking

LOVE TO COOK? THEN LEARN FROM THE BEST: Info, www.VTCulinaryResort.com or call 802-878-1100 or email info@VTCulinaryResort.com. *The New England Culinary Institute at The Inn at Essex is pleased to present a series of hands-on demonstrations, classes and unique dining experiences. Enjoy first-rate instruction at the Inn's new Essex Culinary Theatre.*

dance

BURLINGTON'S NEWEST SALSA DANCE STUDIO, SALSA CALIENTE: Starts Tuesday, August 9, 7 p.m. The Basics: Level 1, 8 p.m. Firehouse Center for the Visual Arts, right across from Bell Square, right next door to City Hall. Info, 802-355-8955. *The best dance floor in Burlington, air-conditioned. Salsa so hot they had to put it in the Firehouse. Upcoming event: Havana Nights dance party, August 13, 7-9 p.m. Everyone welcome.*

DANCE CLASSES AT CCV: Most classes start the week of September 6 at CCV Burlington, 119 Pearl St. Register online now or in person August 15-26. Info, 865-4422 or www.ccv.edu. *Classes include Fundamentals of Jazz Dance, Intermediate Jazz Dance, Body Awareness and Modern Dance. Instructors, Karen Amirault and Annelies Smith.*

DANCE STUDIO SALSALINA: Salsa classes, Nightclub style, group and private, four levels. Mondays, Wednesdays (walk-in on Wednesdays only at 8 p.m.) and Saturdays (children's lessons, pre-registration required). Argentine tango every other Friday, 7 p.m., walk-ins welcome. Social dancing with DJ Basil, once a month, call for date. Monthly memberships, $36 or $55. $10 for individual classes. $6 for socials. 266 Pine St., Burlington. Info, contact Victoria, 598-1077 or hello@salsalina.com. *No dance experience or partner necessary, just the desire to have fun. You can drop in at any time and prepare for an enjoyable workout.*

HAITIAN VODOU DRUM AND DANCE WITH JOHNNY SCOVEL: Thursday, August 11. Drum class, 9:30-11 a.m. Dance class, 11:15 a.m. – 1:15 p.m. Capital City Grange, Montpelier. Friday, August 12: Dance class, 6-8 p.m., Memorial Auditorium Loft, Burlington. Thursday, August 18: Drum class, 9:30-11 a.m. Dance class, 11:15 a.m. – 1:15 p.m. Capitol City Grange, Montpelier. Dance and drum classes, $18 each. Info, Corpora Infections, 802-790-4050 or 802-685-3995. *Johnny Scovel has more than twenty years of traditional drumming experience. His teaching style is dynamic, emotional and sincere, as he honors and values the integrity of the traditions and cultures about which he teaches. His appreciation of technique combined with his ability to impart rhythmical feel offers students an opportunity to learn from a roots-based approach. The passion and energy which he brings to drumming and teaching make for a wonderful class experience. Also see Johnny Scovel in the benefit performance Hot Music for Haiti, August 18, 6-9 p.m., Oakledge Park, Burlington.*

MODERN DANCE AND IMPROV ENSEMBLE, IMPROVISATION ENSEMBLE FOR DANCERS AND MUSICIANS WITH SUSAN SGORBATI: Monday through Thursday, August 22 through 25; Aug. 29 through September 1, 7-9 p.m. FlynnSpace. $210 adult. Info, 802-652-4548, flynnarts@flynncenter.org or visit www.flynncenter.org. *Explore improv as a performance form and basis for choreography. Dancers and all musicians welcome: voice, percussion, strings, horns, etc.*

MODERN DANCE TECHNIQUE WITH KATIE MARTIN AND LIVE ACCOMPANIMENT: Monday through Wednesday, August 22-24, 29-31, 4:15-5:45 p.m. FlynnSpace. $90. Info, 802-652-4548, flynnarts@flynncenter.org or visit www.flynncenter.org. *Ages 15-adult. Prior experience required. Focus on alignment and awareness of the supporting muscles of the body via challenging phrasework and improv studies.*

SWING DANCE LESSONS: Six weeks, three levels, two locations. Level 1: Tuesdays, August 9 through September 13. Swing, Lindy Hop Basics, 6:30-7:30 p.m. Beginning level, no experience required. Includes free Vermont Swings practice session immediately following at the Greek Church, Lodge Rd., Burlington. Levels 2 and 3: Wednesdays, August 10 through September 14. Level 2: Lots Of Swing Outs, 6:30-7:30 p.m. Sample a variety of Swing Outs from Basic to Fancy. Must have completed 12 weeks of Swing 1 or by permission. Level 3: Advanced Moves and Footwork, 7:45-8:45 p.m. All new moves, with just enough challenge to make them fun. Must have completed six months of level 2 classes or by permission. At the Champlain Club, Crowley St., Burlington. All classes taught by Shirley McAdam and Chris Nickl. $50 for six-week series, $40 for students and seniors. Info, 860-7501 or www.lindyvermont.com. *We focus on having fun and learning technique that will allow you to dance with anyone, anywhere. No partner needed.*

design/build

DESIGN, CARPENTRY, WOODWORKING AND ARCHITECTURAL CRAFT WORKSHOPS AT YESTERMORROW DESIGN/BUILD SCHOOL, WARREN: Sustainable Communities of the Future, August 7-12, $725. Participate in an intensive analysis of the essential aspects of sustainable communities including location, energy sources, transportation and social implications. Carpentry for Women II, August 14-19, $725. Building on a foundation of basic carpentry skills, learn rafter and stair layout, finish techniques, and numerous tricks of the trade. Routermania, August 21-26, $725. Learn to become proficient with the router, the most used and versatile machine in the shop, by building a small project to take home with you. Hybrid Adobe, August 25-28, $550. For a fraction of the cost of conventional construction, you can build a home, add-on, shed or sculptural garden wall with this unique, new hybrid technique. Decks 101, August 27-28, $275. This building course will cover the design, layout, materials, footings, fasteners and finishes for outdoor decks. Solar Site Design, September 10-11, $275. Learn how to assess your home site for passive solar gain, prevailing winds, and microclimates to help you best utilize and complement the natural environment. Info, 802-496-5545 or visit www.yestermorrow.org. Scholarships are available. *All Yestermorrow courses are small, intensive and hands-on. Celebrating our 25th year! Just 45 minutes from Burlington.*

drumming

CONGAS AND DJEMBES: Beginning Conga Classes, Wednesdays, 5:30-6:50 p.m. Five-week session begins July 20, $50. Six-week session begins September 7, $60. Beginning Djembe Classes, Wednesdays, 7-8:20 p.m. Five-week session begins July 20, $50. Six-week session begins September 7, $60. Info, Stuart Paton, 658-0658, paton@sover.net or 872-0494. *Walk-ins are welcome.*

RICHMOND TAIKO CLASSES: Thursdays, seven-week sessions, beginning June 23, with no class on July 14. Kids' Beginning Class, 4-4:50 p.m. At the Volunteers Green on Bridge St. $50. Parents and Kids Class, ages 5 and up, 6:30-7:20 p.m. $105 per pair. Adult Beginners, 7:30-8:20 p.m. $70. At the community meeting space at the Richmond Free Library. Pre-registration is required and there is a 10-person minimum for each class. Info, 802-658-0658 or email Stuart Paton, paton@sover.net.

TAIKO: Kids' Beginning Class, Tuesdays, 4:30-5:20 p.m. Five-week session begins July 19, $35. Six-week session begins September 6, $42. Kids' Advanced Beginners Class, Mondays, 3:15-4 p.m. Five-week session begins July 25, $35. Six-week session begins September 12, $42. Adult Beginning Class, Tuesdays, 5:30-6:20 p.m. Six-week session begins June 28, $48. Six-week session begins September 6, $48. Adult Advanced Beginners Class, Mondays, 5:30-6:50 p.m. Five-week session begins July 25, $40. Six-week session begins September 12, $48. Adult Intermediate Class, Mondays, 7-8:20 p.m. 5-week session begins July 25, $40. Six-week session begins September 12, $48. No classes on July 18, August 23, 29, 30 or September 5. Info, Stuart Paton, 658-0658, paton@sover.net or 872-0494. Walk-ins are welcome.

education

FACILITATOR WORKSHOP: August 12, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Bolton Adventure Center, Bolton Valley. $50 per person. Info, 802-65-PETRA or visit www.petracliffs.com. *Recharge and refresh your group facilitation skills. Workshop will focus on group games and initiatives that are appropriate for any group or setting. Workshop lead by Mike Anderson and Jim Cain. All participants will receive a copy of Team Building Puzzles, written by workshop instructors.*

INTRODUCTION TO COLLEGE STUDIES: Thursday, September 15 through December 15, 4-7 p.m. CCV Burlington, 119 Pearl St. Register online now or in person, August 15-26. Info, 865-4422 or www.ccv.edu. *A free, non-credit class for high school students and students new to college. This course helps students make the transition to college by exploring the skills and expectations of college-level learning.*

healing

ELEMENTAL HEALER TRAINING, LEVEL I: Nine-month, one-weekend per month training in central Vermont, beginning September. $200 per month with $200 non-refundable deposit. Info, contact Rick White, MA, LAc, 802-234-7670 or lanrellin@sover.net. *Learn an integrated diagnostic and treatment approach based on the elemental healing systems of China, India and Europe. Fundamentals of Oriental, Ayurvedic, Greek and other healing systems taught. Therapeutics include: Herbalism (Chinese, Ayurvedic and Western), homeopathy, diet, bodywork and acupressure, energy healing, counseling and others. Course is very hands-on and highly practical. Class size is limited so register early. VSAC grants available to qualified applicants. Some scholarships also available.*

INTRODUCTION TO COMPLEMENTARY HEALING TOOLS: September '05 through February '06. Three-hour class per week. $750. Montpelier. Info, 802-223-2968. *Preparation for working with clients/self includes healing tools such as visualization, meditation and self-acupressure, as well as Reiki I, II certification and an introduction to chakras, crystals, reflexology and dowsing. Taught by Edith Keet, RN, MA, registered Jin Shin Do Acupressurist and Reiki Master Teacher. Certificate of completion awarded and VSAC grants available.*

TUNING FORKS AS SOUND HEALING TOOLS: AN INTRODUCTION. Friday, August 19, 6:30-8:30 p.m. Presented by Carol von Rohr. Spirit Dance/Sire Root. $12, prepaid by August 14. Info, 770-8051. *In this experiential class learn how sound and vibration can act as an organizing force within the body to promote health and well-being. The concepts of frequency, resonance and entrainment will be introduced and techniques will be presented.*

<LIST YOUR CLASS> **DEADLINE**: Thursday at 5 p.m. **Call**: 864-5684 **email**: classes@sevendaysvt.com / **fax**: 865-1015

herbs

ORIENTAL HERBAL THERAPY PROGRAM: Begins September 2005. 150-hour program. Elements of Healing, 62 Pearl St., Essex Junction. Info: 288-8160 or visit www.elementsofhealing.net. *This class will meet one weekend a month and will give students a strong foundation in the use of Chinese and Japanese herbs to treat numerous disharmonies. Students will learn the fundamentals of Oriental theory and diagnosis encompassing yin yang, five elements, eight principles, and Oriental internal medicine theory. An in-depth study of abdominal, tongue and pulse diagnosis will make this course an extremely practical introduction to the art and science of Oriental herbal therapy. There will also be a hands-on approach to working with loose herbs and combining them into classical formulas. This class will be appropriate for all body workers and health-care providers, as well as those seeking to begin studies in alternative therapies. VSAC Grants are available to those who qualify.*

kitesurfing/windsurfing

KITESURFING/WINDSURFING: Kitesurfing instruction from day one through getting an Windsurfing: Learn in 2 hours on light and efficient modern equipment. Based in Burlington. Info, 802-496-8681, rachael@stormboarding.com or visit www.stormboarding.com. *Stormboarding provides all riding and sailing equipment for group or individual lessons as well as professional, insured instruction with an emphasis on safety and an experience tailored to your learning style and speed.*

language

BONJOUR FRENCH LESSONS: Info: 233-7474 or maggiestandley@yahoo.com. *Private lessons and tutoring for individuals and groups in the Burlington area. Experienced instructor Maggie Standley has lived and worked in France and francophone Africa. She understands the joys and frustrations of learning a foreign language. She can help you conquer verb tenses, work on your accent, prepare for world travel and grow business, culinary and artistic lingo.*

martial arts

AIKIDO OF CHAMPLAIN VALLEY: Adult introductory classes begin on Tuesday, September 6, 5:30 p.m. and Tuesdays and Thursdays, 5:30 p.m. Please watch a class before enrolling. Morning, day and evening classes for adults, seven days a week. Children's classes, ages 7-12, begin on Saturday, September 3, 9:30-10:30 a.m. and Wednesdays, 4-5 p.m. Muso Shinden Ryu Iaido (the traditional art of sword drawing): Tuesdays, 3:45-5 p.m. and Saturdays, noon - 1:30 p.m. Zazen (Zen meditation: free and open to the general public): Tuesdays, 8-8:45 p.m. Aikido of Champlain Valley, 257 Pine St., Burlington. Info: 951-8900 or www.aikidovt.org. *This traditional Japanese martial art emphasizes circular, flowing movements and joining and throwing techniques. Visitors are always welcome to watch aikido classes. Please call if you would like to observe an aikido class.*

MARTIAL WAY SELF-DEFENSE CENTER: Day and evening classes for adults. Afternoon and Saturday classes for children. Group and private lessons Colchester. Free introductory class. Info: 893-8893. *Kenpo, Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu, Arnis and Wing Chun Kung Fu. Five minutes off I-89 at Exit 17.*

MOO GONG DO: Free introductory classes, Monday-Friday, 6-30 p.m. and 30 p.m. or Saturday, 8:30 a.m. or 10 a.m. Classes open to all ages. Four convenient locations: 13 Susie Wilson Rd., Essex, 879-6713; 142 W. Twin Oaks Terrace, South Burlington, 846-7905; 4068 Shelburne Rd., Shelburne, 425-5764; 7 Wilson Rd., Middlebury, 453-8156. Info: SallowMin Allen@aol.com or visit www.MooGongDo.com. *Moo Gong Do is a traditional Korean martial art emphasizing personal development and strength of character in a safe and controlled environment. Come learn about yourself and the elements of Earth, Water, Fire, Wind and Spirit. Learn to find and lead a balanced life. A great family activity! (Weapons, Instructor and Self Defense programs also available.) With over 20 certified instructors, you will be sure to get a great deal of personal attention.*

TRADITIONAL KUNG FU CLASSES: Ongoing classes available. Elements of Healing, 62 Pearl St., Essex Jct. Info: 278-8160. *Two traditional forms of Chinese Kung Fu are taught: Fu Jo Chuan and Xing Yi Chuan. These are powerful forms of self-defense and self-cultivation. This is for both beginners and experienced practitioners from other styles.*

VERMONT BRAZILIAN JIU-JITSU: Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu: Monday through Friday, 7-8:30 p.m. and Saturdays, 10 a.m. The "Punch Line" Friday Class, Tuesdays and Thursdays, at 7 p.m. Vermont Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu, 4 Howard St., A-8, Burlington. First class free. Info: 660-4072 or visit: www.bjjvt.com. *Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu is a complete martial arts system based on leverage (provides a greater advantage and effect on a much larger opponent) and technique (fundamentals of dominant body position to use the technique to overcome size and strength). Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu enhances balance, flexibility, strength, cardio-respiratory fitness and builds personal courage and self-confidence. Vermont Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu offers Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu and Self-Defense classes (all levels). Boxing and MMA programs available. Brazilian Head Instructor with over 30 years of experience (5-Time Brazilian Champion - Rio de Janeiro) certified under Carlson Gracie. Positive and safe environment. Effective and easy-to-learn techniques that could save your life. Accept no imitations.*

massage

ADVANCED CLASSES FOR MASSAGE THERAPISTS: Neuromuscular Therapy of Vermont offers two 4-week classes this fall. Prerequisite for all classes is some basic massage training or experience. Pain Mechanisms of the Shoulder, 4 weeks, Tuesdays, August 30 through September 20, 6:30-9:30 p.m. $225 or $195 if paid in full by August 19. Reviewers: $165. Pain Mechanisms of the Neck, 4 weeks, Thursdays, September 1-22, 6:30-9:30 p.m. $225 or $195 if paid in full by August 19. Reviewers: $165. Neuromuscular Therapy of Vermont & the Center for Advanced Bodywork Training, Stephen O'Dwyer, Director, The Chase Mill, Suite 224, Burlington. Info, www.NMTvermont.com, email NMTclasses@vermontel.net or call 658-1006, ext. 2. *The classes of Neuromuscular Therapy of Vermont integrate neuromuscular massage technique, deep tissue massage, myofascial release and other modalities. Both newer practitioners and seasoned massage therapists can refine their hands-on and evaluative skills to work with less effort and become more effective in treating many forms of chronic pain.*

ASIAN BODYWORK THERAPY: Now enrolling for a new 400-hour training program at Touchstone Healing Arts: September 10, 2005 through June 13, 2006. Mondays, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. and Tuesdays, 9 a.m. - noon and four other required weekends, September 10-11, November 12-13, January 21-22 and April 15, 16. Touchstone Healing Arts, 205 Dorset St., South Burlington, VT 05403. Tuition: $3750 plus textbooks. Info: 802-658-7715 or visit www.touchstonehealingarts.com. *This course provides students with a solid foundation in Oriental medicine theory and two forms of Oriental massage, Amma massage and Shiatsu massage. Amma and Shiatsu are two complementary forms of bodywork that give students the necessary tools to treat a wide range of disorders and imbalances.*

CHAIR MASSAGE: Tuesday, September 27, October 4, 11 and 18, 4-6:15 p.m. Register by August 26. Community College of Vermont, 119 Pearl St., Burlington. Info: 865-4422 or www.ccv.edu. *Introduces the techniques of a 15-minute chair massage, a style of structured bodywork with clothed clients and a specialized massage chair. A one-credit course for students with prior knowledge of Swedish massage and Human Anatomy and Physiology. Instructor: Andrea Altman.*

SPORTS MASSAGE: Tuesday, October 25, November 1, 8 and 15, at 9:15 p.m. Register by August 26. Community College of Vermont, 119 Pearl St., Burlington. Info: 865-4422 or www.ccv.edu. *Learn massage techniques and therapies beneficial to athletes, prior to and after athletic events. A one-credit course for students with prior knowledge of Swedish massage and Human Anatomy and Physiology. Instructor: Rick Phillips.*

meditation

INTRODUCTION TO ZEN: Saturday, October 8. Vermont Zen Center, Shelburne. $55. Pre-registration required. Info: 985-9746 or visit www.vermontzen.org. *Focus on Buddhist meditation practice/liturgy. Vegetarian lunch.*

music

BLUES, ROCK AND FUNK ENSEMBLE: *Mondays, October 31* through December 12, 3-5 p.m. CCV Burlington, 119 Pearl St. Online registration begins July 5; walk-in registration begins August 15. Info: 865-4422 or www.ccv.edu. *Emphasis on improvisation, playing techniques and learning to play in an ensemble. One-credit class. Instructor: Greg Matses.*

BURLINGTON COMMUNITY CHOIR: Wednesdays, September 7 through December 7, 7-8:30 p.m. CCV Burlington. Online registration begins July 5; walk-in registration begins August 15. Info: 865-4422 or www.ccv.edu. *Explore a variety of music including spirituals, traditional and contemporary folk songs and classical melodies. No auditions required; beginners and "shower singers" welcome! Can also be taken for credit. Directed by Amity Baker.*

MUSIC >> 16B

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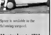

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MUSIC << 15B

JAZZ/CONTEMPORARY THEORY I: Thursdays, September 8 through December 15, 11:45 a.m. - 2:45 p.m. CCV Burlington, 119 Pearl St. Register online now or in-person August 15-26. Info, 865-4422 or www.ccv.edu. *Melody, harmony, rhythm, form and sound will be explored through detailed analysis of jazz and popular classics. Students will craft their own musical compositions. Three-credit class. Instructor: Rick Belford.*

MUSIC CLASSES AT CCV: Most start the week of September 6. Register online now or in person, August 15 through 26. Info, 865-4422 or www.ccv.edu. *Classes include: Music Fundamentals, Music Theory I, Piano I, Guitar I, Introduction to Vocal Performance and Introduction to Technology in Music. Music classes cover a variety of musical styles including jazz, rock, pop, traditional and world music.*

painting

INTRODUCING ENCAUSTIC PAINTING, INSTRUCTED BY CATHERINE HALL: Saturday and Sunday, August 27 and 28, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. Shelburne Craft School. Members $155, nonmembers $170. Info, 985-3648. *The ancient technique of encaustic, practiced by the Egyptians and Greeks thousands of years ago, has become popular again, notably after the American painter Jasper Johns used it for his famous flag paintings in the 1960s. The medium of pigment in wax is unlike any other and offers a whole range of possibilities for constructing opaque and translucent layers, sgraffito drawing, collage elements, and texture. Heated palettes, wood panels and painting materials will be provided.*

performing arts

FALL FLYNNARTS CLASSES IN MUSIC, DANCE AND THEATER: September 12 through December 9. Classes for children, teens and adults include Brazilian Percussion, Guitar levels 1, 2, and Flamenco, Jazz Combos (grades 5-12), Dance Makers I and II (grades 2-6), Ballet I and II (teen/adult), Lunchtime Dance for Health (adult), Acting classes (grades K-12) including Get Into the Act, Acting Up! and Improvisation for Teens, Acting and Directing (adult), Standup Comedy for Women (adult), and many more. Register early and earn a free ticket to a Flynn show. Info, 802-652-4548, email flynnarts@flynncenter.org, or visit www.flynncenter.org.

photography

FIREHOUSE CENTER FOR THE VISUAL ARTS, COMMUNITY DARKROOM: Hourly and monthly memberships available. Info, please contact the Photography Program Director, 865-7101 or visit www.BurlingtonCityArts.com. *Become a member of the Firehouse Community Darkroom. Membership includes unlimited access on a space-available basis for posted darkroom hours. On-site assistance, use of enlargers, equipment and chemistry, reduced-fee use of the Logan 750 mat cutter, monthly photography critique and discussion group, opportunities to exhibit work and a range of classes available from beginner level to more advanced!*

FIREHOUSE EDUCATION: Fall session begins September 26 with fresh studio offerings, exciting new classes and expanded drop-in programs. Info, www.BurlingtonCityArts.com. *Firehouse Education aims to inspire and nurture the creativity within and offers high quality arts opportunities for adults and kids in the visual arts, photography, printmaking, clay, craft and writing. Our dynamic classes, workshops and drop-in programs take place in professional, state-of-the-art studio classrooms and are led by enthusiastic, nurturing teaching artists.*

pilates

CORE STUDIO: Burlington's premier Pilates Studio has grown and now offers even more! Our ongoing mat and Xercise/Tower program options include private sessions, monthly Passports and drop-in rates for group sessions. In our newly expanded space discover The Rolfing Studio and Thai Yoga Massage Therapy, both of which allow you to work one-on-one with our certified specialists to reshape and restore your body back into its natural alignment. Core Studio now offers small and intimate yoga classes suitable for all levels and abilities to discover and develop your practice. Our expanded schedule now includes small group Hybrid Spinning/Pilates, PowerSculpt and Spinning with core strengthening and stretching series. Free consultation and introductory mat class still offered at our convenient waterfront location in downtown Burlington. Info, 862-8686 or visit www.corestudioburlington.com. *Familiarize yourself with our open, welcoming studio, our professional certified instructors and our energizing, newly expanded, "green" atmosphere.*

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printmaking

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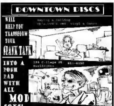
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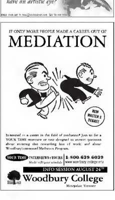
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ARIES (March 21-April 19): You wouldn't plant a rosebush in a spot where a geyser erupts periodically, would you? You wouldn't build a romantic hideaway on the bank of a river that floods every year, right? So please say you won't be careless as you track down the best place to express your love and fertility in the future. Swear to me that you'll research the possibilities with forethought and a passion for detail.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): About every 90 seconds, there's an earthquake somewhere on the planet. Most are very small and aren't felt by normal human beings. But I predict that in the coming days you may actually be aware of these subtle tremors arising from deep in the planet — just as I expect you'll be highly attuned to every little change in the weather and each minute shift in the emotional atmosphere of your immediate environment. In fact, Taurus, you may soon be more sensitive than you've been in years. You'll probably also be impressionable, perceptive, empathetic and even psychic.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): The average major league baseball game lasts nearly three hours, but the time when the ball is actually in play is only about 10 minutes. In other words, there's a lot of waiting around between brief flurries of activity. Sound familiar, Gemini? From what I can tell, your life recently has had a lot of prolonged stretches when nothing much of interest or importance has happened. I bet that will soon change, though. According to my reading of the astrological omens, the action is about to heat up. Get ready to score in double figures.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): After mating for the first and only time, a young queen ant burrows underground, where she lays about 20 eggs a day for 10 years. Sometimes you remind me of her, Cancerian — lately, for instance. You have been animated by an almost insatiable drive to create. You've been spinning out little miracles and making everything fresh again and again and again. The astrological omens say you'll need to take a break soon. Do this under your own power, please, so that fate doesn't have to force you to do it.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): "Dear Dr. Brezsny: I was wondering if you had any information about Beyonders, people who were born under no star and who are therefore not ruled by the stars. — Leo Goddess, a.k.a. Wannabe Beyonder." Dear Wannabe: It's impossible to be born under no star. However, it's true that periodically we all go through periods when we're relatively free from the authority of the stars we were born under. During these times, we're less susceptible to the whims of fate and the demands of the past and the compulsions of karma. Our willpower has more breathing room. It happens to be one of those phases for you Leos right now. At least temporarily, you're like a Beyonder.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Writing in *The New York Times*, Nicholas Kristof reported that the media has been as guilty of ignoring the ongoing genocide in Darfur as the Bush administration has been. In June, he said, the main TV news programs collectively ran 55 times more stories about the Michael Jackson trial than they did about East Africa's crisis. CBS gave three minutes of coverage to Darfur in all of 2004, and NBC five minutes. As soon as you finish reading this horoscope, Virgo, I hope you will take aggressive action to avoid falling victim to equally misplaced priorities in your personal life. Don't you dare let trivial spectacles divert you from healing the sorest spot in your world!

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): This week's new word class is *bravura*. Derived from an old Italian word for "bold," it has two meanings: (1) skill and brilliance exhibited in a performance or task, (2) a display of incredible daring. In the coming week I urge you to write "I have bravura" on your palm, on your mirror and anywhere else your eyes frequently gaze upon. If you keep reminding yourself that you now have the capacity to pull off acts of bravura, you will in fact pull them off.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): It's unlikely that you or I or anyone we know will become famous enough to earn a mention in the historical records of the future. The odds are probably 10 million to 1. But if you do manage to make such a prominent name for yourself that our descendants will be able to read about your exploits and contributions, it could very well be because of events you set in motion during the next six weeks. The possibility that you will make a mark on eternity is as great as it has ever been.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): There's a 3-mile stretch of Interstate 580 south of Oakland, California, that I call the Singing Highway. For reasons I don't understand, it generates low humming melodies every time I drive over it, similar to the guttural chants of Tibetan monks. Sometimes I swear I can even hear lyrics. Today, for example, I was driving to the airport. My mind turned to you, my Sagittarian readers. Yours was the only horoscope I had left to write for this week, and to pass the time I thought I'd scavenge around for fresh intuitions. Just then I reached the Singing Highway, and I swear I began hearing the same lyric repeating over and over again: "a shortcut to the path with heart / a shortcut to the path with heart / a shortcut to the path with heart." Coincidence? I don't think so.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Of all the animals in the world, the fly is the most unloved. It annoys us with its zigzag buzzing. When it lands on our food, we lose our appetite, knowing it carries residues of the disgusting things it has preyed on. But in the creation story of the Chulupi Indians, the fly is given a heroic role to play because of its speed. In modern parlance, people say they'd like to be a fly on the wall in a place where an interesting conversation takes place. And the ancient Roman poet Virgil had a pet fly that saved him a fortune. When the fly died, he gave it a large funeral and declared its final resting place a cemetery, thereby avoiding a sizable land tax through a legal loophole. In the coming weeks, Capricorn, I predict you will find similar redemption in an influence you have always regarded as comparable to the fly's.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): When rock star Courtney Love asked me for advice about her relationship with rock star Trent Reznor a few years ago, I told her the same thing I'll tell you now: Empty your heart of everything you think you know about the person who both excites you and drives you crazy. Drop all of your fantasies and projections and expectations. As soon as you do, you will clearly see that person is not a diabolical angel whose main task in life is to rouse your obsessive thoughts, but rather a flawed human being who has only a partial resemblance to what you imagine him or her to be. When you achieve that enlightened state, then and only then will there be even a shred of hope that you two can have an authentic, vital, mutually enriching relationship.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): According to my analysis of the astrological omens, Pisces, the week ahead will be overflowing with paradox. Lucky danger may be headed your way, or a risky opportunity that will feel like an ordeal even as it brings out the best in you. I also wouldn't be surprised if you had encounters with benevolent trouble, exacting love and weighty silliness. To thrive in the midst of those rich anomalies, you should suspend any prejudices you might have against puzzling evidence. Don't just tolerate the contradictions — love them.

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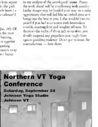
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▸ art

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▸ artists wanted

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musicians wanted

ACOUSTIC BASSIST WANTED: Bluegrass/folk/country/jazz recording project and/or gigs. Sam 802-224-0730
GUITARIST AND DRUMMER seeking 2nd guitar, bass and lead vocals/songwriters for original rock band. Visit www.fifthstone.com/bake for details or call Jim at 865-4774.
PERCUSSIONIST NEEDED to join guitarist/vocalist and upright bassist and me, currently performing live. Emphasis on originals, structured songs with spontaneity and improvisation. Afro/Cuban, blues, funk, bossanova, etc. Hand drums or kit. Tim 802-377-9116

pets

AKC BASSETT HOUND puppies ready 8/19/05. Males $550, female $650. Contact Cathy, 278-5140 or catwmala@aol.com for more info and pictures. These are wonderful pets and excellent w/children.
ANGORA GOATS: Beautiful, friendly, curious. Great fiber, wonderful pets. Call 802-888-2057 for info and appointment.
BEARDED DRAGON Female. Yellow/orange, normal phase. Approx. 1.5-years-old. $225 cash. 802-516-9449
PURE BREED CHOCOLATE Lab puppies. $350. Born 8/1/05-8/4/05, will be ready to go at about 6-8 weeks. Call 802-644-6021
RESCUED, NEGLECTED female rabbit in need of good home only. Sweet and friendly. Free to good home, will include large cage, water bottle, food dish and large pail of food for $25. 802-241-1287
SIBERIAN HUSKIES: Puppies. Grey-and white males from sled dog lines, vet checked, shots, worming completed. Asking $500. Call for info. 802-482-5480
TWO CHINCHILLAS w/cage and accessories. $150. Will not separate. 802-485-5131.

SEVEN DAYS

photography

ASPIRING FEMALE MODELS WANTED to work w/fashion photographer in exchange for portfolio experience. Contact David, 578-3412, email mdling@juno.com or visit www.mdling.com. Great opportunity for beginners.
BOGEN TRIPOD HEAVY length. New, used two times, in perfect condition. Taped seams sealed, ready to go. Call Lawrence 470-489-9602 downtown Burlington. $200 $300
CAMERA. Point & shoot 35 mm. Yashica T5. Zeiss Tessar 3.5 F2.8 lens. NA Scope view finder. Instructions and case. $40/obo. 860-7504
PHOTO ARTIST SEEKS open minded female models over 18. Rate varies based on experience. 563-[illegible]-4541

tutoring

TUTOR NEEDED for Introductory Statistics Review. See 4 or 5 one hour meetings in Burlington. Will pay. Call 207-238-8564

volunteers

RECYCLE NORTH SEEKS environmental protection volunteers to help organize the influx of donations into our store and away from the landfills. Contact Lindsay Foreman 658-4143 ext. 57
WHO BELIEVED IN YOU? ReCycle North YouthBuild seeks caring adult members for low income youth ages 16-24. Contact Lindsay Foreman 658-4143, ext. 27

want to buy

ANTIQUES Furniture, postcards, pottery, cameras, toys, medical tools, lab glass, photographs, slide rules. License plates and silver. Anything unusual or unique. I ask. I pay cash. Call Dave at 802 [illegible]
LOOKING FOR A ping-pong table. Call 486-437-6817 for inquiry.
ROUND SOLID WOOD DINING TABLE Pedestal preferred. 802-254-6904

legals

PUBLIC NOTICE

Request for Public Comment on the City of Burlington's (City) Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Program and Annual Goals for 2006 for Federal Transit Administration (FTA) funded projects.

Pursuant to 49 CFR, Subpart C, Section 26.45 (g)(2), the City hereby publishes notice of its proposed DBE Program Goal of 5.4%. The DBE program, program goal and rationale are available for inspection during business hours at the office of the Department of Public Works 645 Pine Street Burlington, VT for 30 days following the publication of this notice. The Department of Public Works and the FTA will accept comments on the goals for 45 days from the date of this notice. Comments to the Department of Public Works should be sent to:

Dan Bradley
Transportation/Special Projects Planner
City of Burlington
Department of Public Works
645 Pine Street • P.O. Box 849
Burlington, VT 05402-0849
(802) 865-5832
(802) 865-5846 [Fax]
DBradley@CI.Burlington.VT.US [E-mail]

Comments to the FTA should be sent to:
Office of Civil Rights
Federal Transit Administration
US Department of Transportation
55 Broadway, Kendall Square
Cambridge, MA 02142

professional services

B-GONE REMOVAL SERVICES: Tree/brush removal, clean out apartments, houses, storage, garages, yards, etc. Rates by full or 1/2 truck load. We haul, so you don't have to! Steve, 324-0740.
FRENCH AND SPANISH classes/private lessons available in Montpelier and Burlington. Reasonable rates, enthusiastic and experienced instructors, all levels welcome. For details/questions contact Leah, 802-225-8913 or LS915@nyu.edu.
JUNK REMOVAL: Small moves, delivery service. Anything you need a man with a van for! Brian Lowell, 865-1408
NEW TYPE OF PARTY! Looking for some fun and a little excitement. Try passion parties. Adult toys, lotions and more. Contact Susan or Penny, 782-5107
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WOOD FLOORS: Custom wood floor installation. Best prices. Quick turnaround! Over 40 varieties to choose from. Call J.H. & Company, 802-893-1414.

7D SUPPORTGROUPS

support groups

DON'T SEE A SUPPORT group here that meets your needs? Call Vermont 211, a program of United Ways of Vermont. Within Vermont: 866-652-4636 (toll-free) or from outside of Vermont, 802-652-4636. Monday-Friday, 8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE and Dementia support group: Held the last Tuesday of every month at Birchwood Terrace, Burlington. Info, contact Stefanie Catella, 863-6384.

WEEKLY SMOKING CESSATION support group: Small groups. Caring atmosphere. Stop smoking in just 21 days using natural, proven, safe methods. No unhealthy drugs. Call 264-1924.

WEEKLY WEIGHT-LOSS support group: Small groups. Caring atmosphere. Get great results using natural, proven, safe methods. No unhealthy dieting. Call 264-1924.

FAMILY AND FRIENDS SUPPORT GROUP: If someone in your family or one of your friends is in an abusive relationship, this new support group is designed especially for you. Info, call Women Helping Battered Women, 658-1996.

ANXIETY AND DEPRESSION SUPPORT GROUP: Daily except Sundays, 1-2 p.m. Focus is on mutual support and coping skills. 500 Flynn Ave. Info, 865-6130.

WOMEN'S EMOTIONS ANONYMOUS GROUP: Fridays, 6-7 p.m., at the Boys & Girls Club, 62 Oak St., Burlington. Info, 899-4904.

MALE SUPPORT GROUP: For men who have survived sexual violence. This group will provide a safe, encouraging space for survivors of sexual assault to share their stories with other men. Offered by the Women's Rape Crisis Center. Info, 802-864-0555 or the 24-hour hotline, 802-863-1236.

SEX AND LOVE ADDICTS ANONYMOUS: Montpelier. 12-step recovery group. Do you have a problem with sex and/or relationships? We can help. Wednesdays, 5-6:30 p.m., 115 Main St., Bethany Church, downstairs, red door room. Info, 802-249-6825. Completely confidential.

PARENTING GROUP: 6-week group for people parenting children of all ages now forming. Please call RiverValley Associates for more information: 651-1520.

HAIR PULLERS SUPPORT GROUP: The Vermont TTM Support Group is a new support group for adult pullers (18+) affected by trichotillomania (chronic hair pulling) as well as parents of pullers. This will be a supportive, safe, comfortable and confidential environment. Meets on the 4th Monday of every month, 6-7:30 p.m., First Unitarian Universalist Society, 152 Pearl St., Burlington. Info, 453-5498 or vermont_ttmoutreach@yahoo.com.

DEPERSONALIZATION AND DEREALIZATION: If you suffer from either of these trance states, please call Todd, 864-4285.

THE WOMEN'S RAPE CRISIS CENTER is offering a free, confidential 10-week support group for mothers of children who have survived sexual abuse. Thursdays, 5:30-7 p.m. Info, 864-0555.

THE CHAMPLAIN VALLEY EAST CHAPTER of the Compassionate Friends meets on the third Tuesday of each month, 7-9 p.m., at the Christ Church Presbyterian, 400 Redstone Campus, UVM. Info, 482-5319. The meetings are for parents, grandparents and adult siblings who have experienced the death of a child at any age, from any cause.

HEPATITIS C SUPPORT GROUP for those who have H-C, their family members and friends. 2nd Thursday of each month. McClure MultiGenerational Center.

DIABETES EDUCATION and Support Group of Chittenden County meets the third Tuesday of every month at the Williston Federated Church, 6:30-8 p.m. We often have guest speakers. Info, 847-2278.

CHADD SUPPORT GROUP MEETING: CHADD is a support organization for children and adults with Attention Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorder. Every second Tuesday of the month at Champlain College, 7-8:30 p.m. in room 211 in the Global and Technology Building.

MOOD DISORDER SUPPORT GROUP: Every Monday, 4:30-6 p.m. Barre United Church. Info, contact Lorraine, 485-4934.

WOMEN HELPING BATTERED WOMEN offers free, confidential educational support groups for women who have fled, are fleeing, or are still living in a world where intimate partner violence is present. WHBW offers a variety of groups to meet the diverse needs of women and children in this community. Info, 658-1996.

AUTISM: Free support group for parents of children with autism. First Monday of each month, 7-8 p.m., 600 Blair Park Rd., Suite 240, Williston. Info, 860-1240 or visit http://health.groups.yahoo.com/group/AutismSupportDaily/.

VT PARENTS OF FOOD ALLERGY CHILDREN EMAIL SUPPORT TEAM: Info, contact MaryKay Hill, www.VTPFAC.com, or call 802-575-0551.

MIXED GENDER COMING OUT SUPPORT GROUP: Every 2nd and 4th Thursday, 6:30 p.m. Co-facilitated by supportive peers and mental health professionals and open to all lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and questioning adults age 23 and up. Check out this group meeting at R.U.1.2?

ARE YOU A PARTNER OR close ally of a transgender or transsexual person? We have a support group designed for your unique needs. The second Wednesday of every month at 6 p.m. R.U.1.2? Community Center, 34 Elmwood Ave., Burlington. Info, 860-1812.

TRANS SOCIAL AND SUPPORT GROUP: First Wednesday, 6:30 p.m. Looking for peer support among other transgendered folks? Need a safe space to relax and be yourself? Check out this group meeting at R.U.1.2?

60+ SUPPORT GROUP: Ongoing weekly support group for men and women over the age of 60. Share your strengths and struggles with this particular stage of life. We have fun! Facilitated by Barbara L. Kester, Ph.D., 651-5668.

MOOD DISORDER SUPPORT GROUP: First group meeting Monday, November 8, 4:15-6 p.m., Northfield United Church, Main St. Info, 485-4934 or email [illegible]@yahoo.com.

TOPS (Taking Off Pounds Sensibly) Chapter meeting: St. Francis Xavier School, Winooski. Saturdays, 8 a.m. weigh-in, 8:30-9:30 a.m. meeting. Info, call Fred or Bunnye, 655-3311, or Patricia, 658-5904.

INTERESTED IN WRITING for children? Support and critique group meets monthly. Call Anne, 861-6000 or anne@[illegible].

NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS is a group of recovering addicts who live without the use of drugs. It costs nothing to join. The only requirement for membership is a desire to stop using. Info, 862-4516 or visit www.together.net/~cvana. Held in Burlington, South Burlington and Colchester. For more information, call 860-7508 or toll free 1-866-812-5264.

SURVIVORS OF SUICIDE: Support group for those who have lost a loved one to suicide. Meets the 2nd Wednesday of every month at the Holiday Inn in South Burlington (1068 Williston Rd.) from 6-7:30 p.m. For more information, please contact Cory Gould, 223-4111 or cgould1156@earthlink.net. Sponsored by the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention VT.

SEX AND LOVE ADDICTS ANONYMOUS: 12-step recovery group. Do you have a problem with sex or relationships? We can help. Sunday meetings, 7-8:30 p.m. Men call Sandy, 863-5708. Women call Valerie, 802-253-5641.

SUICIDE SURVIVORS GROUP: Survivors and their families meet monthly for mutual support in the Burlington area, 6-8 p.m. Call for location: 223-4111.

SMOKING CESSATION GROUP: Wanting to kick the habit? This free, five-week program helps quitters follow through. Community Health Center of Burlington, 5:30-6:30 p.m. Free. Info, 864-6309.

DOES YOUR PARTNER/SPOUSE HAVE AD/HD (Attention Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorder)? Support group meets every other week in Burlington to share experiences, challenges, laughs, resources. Want more information? Write adhdpartner@yahoo.com.

WEDNESDAYS CIRCLE: A transpersonal support group, every Wed., 6 p.m. Transformations Community Wellness Center, Rt. 100N, Rochester, VT, 767-4092. A sharing circle focusing on personal growth, transformation, spirituality and healing, led by Jim Bonds.

DECLUTTERS SUPPORT GROUP: Are you ready to make improvements but find it overwhelming? Maybe 2 or 5 of us can get together to help each simplify. 655-5812.

PARENTS TOGETHER: Support group with free meetings in Rutland on Monday evenings. Snacks and child care provided. All groups are free and confidential. Please call Amy at 281-6460 for more information.

WOMEN CHANGING: A continuous educational support group for women who are interested in changing patterns in their lives. Wednesdays-ongoing, 12:30-2 p.m. Call Angie at AWARE in Hardwick, 472-6463.

SUPPORT GROUP FOR WOMEN who have experienced intimate partner abuse, facilitated by Battered Women's Services and Shelter of Washington County. Please call 1-877-543-9498 for more info.

ANY BREAST CANCER SURVIVORS: Join an support group whose focus is on living, not on the disease. We are a team of dragon boaters. Learn all about this paddle sport and its health-giving, life-affirming qualities. Any age. No athletic experience needed. Call Linda at 802-434-4423 or email dragonheartvermont@gmavt.net or go to www.dragonheartvermont.org.

SELF-REALIZATION: Social/support group for like-minded people interested in spirituality, yoga, psychic experiences, transcendence and transformation. Burlington. If interested, call Jill at 861-5575 or email jlc@together.net.

NAKED IN VERMONT: The premier Naturist/Skinnydipper organization in Vermont offering information library, message board, chat room, yahoo group and more. (ALL FREE) Visit www.nakedinvermont.com.

SCLERODERMA FOUNDATION: New England. Info, Blythe Leonard, 878-0732, monthly. thel@aol.com.

OLDER WOMEN EXERCISING TOGETHER: For motivation to do what's necessary. Call Anne, 861-6000.

BIPOLAR SUPPORT GROUP: open to new members. Meets downtown. Our goal is to become healthy and happy. For info, call Sherri at 951-2585.

ALS (LOU GEHRIG'S DISEASE) monthly support group: For patients, caregivers and loved ones who are living or have lived with ALS. Third Thursday of the month, 1-3 p.m. Jim's House, 1266 Creamery Rd., Williston. Info and directions: 802-862-8882 or vt@alsnne.org.

AL-ANON: Thursdays, 12:30-1:30 p.m. at the AWARE office, 88 High St., Hardwick. Info, 472-6463.

WOMEN IN TRANSITION: Join a support/social group for women who are separated or divorced. The goal is to form a circle of friends for support and social activities. If interested, email Katherine at [illegible]@aol.com.

SMART RECOVERY: Well-grounded, science-based approaches to changing addictive behaviors. Alternative to 12 Step Groups. Fridays, 5:30 p.m., 82 Winooski Ave., Burlington (across the City Market). Info, contact Bob, 425-4058, or email cammolly@madriver.com.

BRAIN INJURY ASSOCIATION of Vermont: Daytime support group meets the second Thursday of each month at the Fanny Allen Hospital in Colchester from 12-2 p.m. For more info, contact Polly Erickson at [illegible].

METHADONE ANONYMOUS: A medication-assisted recovery support group. Tuesdays, 7-8 p.m. The Alano Club. Directions: Rt. 15 Fort Ethan Allen entrance, Barnes Ave., third right on to Hegeman Ave., #14 on left. All are welcome.

TRANS PARTNERS support group: Meet and talk w/other partners of transgendered/transsexual people. The second Friday of every month. R.U.1.2? Community Center, 6 p.m. 860-8812.

HARD-OF-HEARING support group: I'm starting a support group for adults who have a hearing loss that affects the quality of their work/family/social life. Let's share personal experiences and knowledge of hearing-aid technology. Marlene, 865-0191.

SKINNYDIPPERS UNITE! Visit Vermont Au Naturel. Join other naturists and like-minded people for support, discussions and more! www.vermontaunaturel.com.

PARENTS TOGETHER support groups: Would you like to talk and share ideas with other parents about the joys and challenges of children? Support groups for all parents. Deborah, 899-5119.

MENTAL ILLNESSES: The National Alliance for the Mentally Ill holds support meetings for the families and friends of the mentally ill at Howard Center, corner of Flynn and Pine. Second and fourth Tuesdays of every month at 7 p.m. Park in Pine St. lot and walk down ramp. 862-6695 for info.

NONCUSTODIAL SUPPORT group for parents. Contact Bill Bagley, 434-4495.

ARE YOU UNABLE TO get out of debt? Do you spend more than you earn? Is it a problem for you? Get help at Debtors Anonymous. Wednesdays, 7:30-8:30 p.m. The Alano Club, 14 Hegeman Ave., Fort Ethan Allen, Colchester. Contact Valerie R. at 524-1840.

BRAIN INJURY: Open to people who are survivors of a brain injury, their caregivers and family. Expert speakers often scheduled. 1st Wed. of every month, 6-8 p.m. Fanny Allen Campus, Colchester. Call Barb Winters, 434-1244.

LESBIAN, GAY, BISEXUAL, Transgender, Queer and Questioning: Support groups for survivors of partner violence, sexual violence and bias/hate crimes. Free and confidential. SafeSpace, 863-0003 or 866-869-7341 (toll free).

MENTAL HEALTH RECOVERY group, support and education for people with psychiatric challenges. Joan, 865-6155.

FAMILY/FRIENDS OF THOSE suffering from Alzheimer's Disease and Dementia. Second Monday of the month, 4-6 p.m. The Arbors, 985-8600.

SURVIVORS OF SEXUAL violence: Form contacts and discuss ways to begin healing. Women's Rape Crisis Center, Burlington. Free. Info, 864-0555.

CARPOOL CONNECTION

Call 864-CCTA to respond to a listing or to be listed.

Save money this summer and join a carpool today!

If you don't see your route listed here, call 864-CCTA today and we'll send you a FREE matchlist of commuters in your area.

Richmond to Williston: Looking for ride to the Fairfield Inn off the Williston exit. Mon-Fri, 8 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. If you can help, please reference # 41101.

Vergennes/Fair Haven to IBM: Looking for two carpoolers to join existing carpool. Our hours are 7:00 a.m. – 4 p.m. Mon-Fri. If interested please reference # 41105.

Burlington to Hinesburg: Looking for long-term riders. My hours are Mon-Fri, 4:30 a.m. – 5:30 p.m. with some flexibility. If you are interested, please ref # 41104.

Essex Junction to Burlington: Looking for one-way riders. My hours are Mon-Fri, 8:50 a.m. If interested please ref # 41103.

Jeffersonville to Burlington: Looking for a ride. My hours are Mon-Fri, 8 a.m. – 5 p.m., with flexibility. If you can help, please ref # 41105.

Charlotte to Waterbury: Looking to share a ride to the Waterbury State Complex. Mon-Fri, 7:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m., with some flexibility. If interested, please ref #41107.

Barre/Montpelier to IBM: Looking for vanpoolers to share a commute. We work the N2 shift and stop at the Berlin P&R on the way. If you're interested, we have space beginning Feb. 2. Please ref IBMVAN.

Burlington to So. Burlington: Looking for a ride. My hours are Mon-Fri, 8:30 a.m. – 5 p.m., but a little flexible. If you can help, please ref # 41070.

Jericho to Burlington: Looking to share a commute. Mon-Fri, 8 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. If you can help, please ref # 41056.

Burlington to Montpelier: Looking for a ride Mon-Fri, 8 a.m. – 4:45 p.m. If you can help, please ref # 41055.

Hinesburg to Plainfield: Looking to share a commute to Goddard College. I work Mon-Fri, 7:30 a.m. – 4 p.m. If you can help, please ref # 41085.

Enosburg Falls to Essex Junction: Looking to share a commute to IBM. I work 7 a.m. – 3 p.m. If you can help, please ref # 41050.

S. Burlington to Rutland: Looking for a ride. Time is flexible. If you can help, please ref # 41048.

St. Mike's to Ethan Allen Dr.: Looking for a ride. My hours are Mon-Fri, 8:30 a.m. – 5 p.m. with some flexibility. If you can help, please ref # 41070.

Essex to Burlington: Looking for a ride. I work Mon-Fri, 8 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. If you can help, please ref # 41060.

Essex Junction to Waterbury: Looking to share a commute Mon-Fri, 7:30 a.m. – 4 p.m., but flexible. If you can help, please reference # 41046.

Winooski to Montpelier: Looking to share a commute Mon-Fri, 8 a.m. – 5 p.m. If you can help, please ref # 41045.

Essex Junction to Waterbury: Looking to share a ride to State Offices. My hours are Mon-Fri, 7:50 a.m. – 4:30 p.m., with a little flexibility. If you can help, please ref # 41068.

S. Burlington to Burlington: Looking for a ride, Mon-Fri, 6:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. If you can help, please ref # 41058.

Burlington to Shelburne: Looking for a ride Mon-Fri, 7 a.m. – 4 p.m. If you can help, please ref # 41042.

Essex Junction to Barre Town: Looking for a ride. I work 8:30 a.m. – 5 p.m. Mon-Fri. If you can help, please ref # 41065.

Shelburne to Montpelier: Looking to share a ride Mon-Fri, 7:45 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. If you can help, please ref # 41027.

Bolton to South Burlington: Looking for a ride Mon-Fri 4-10 p.m. If you can help, please ref # 41084.

Hinesburg to Burlington: Looking for a ride to UVM. I work Mon-Fri, 8:30 a.m. – 5 p.m. If you can help, please ref # 41040.

Burlington to Poultney: Looking to share a commute to Green Mountain College. I work Mon-Fri, 4:15 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. If you can help, please ref # 41059.

Burlington to Williston: Looking for a ride Mon-Fri, 8:30 a.m. – 5 p.m. If you can help, please ref # 41108.

Essex Junction to Williston: Looking for a ride Mon-Fri, 7 a.m. – 5 p.m. If you can help, please ref # 41054.

Roxbury/Northfield to Berlin: Looking for a ride, days and times vary with shifts. Please ref # 142198.

Montpelier to Waterbury: Looking to share the commute Sat-Wed, 6:30 a.m. – 5 p.m. Please ref # 142250.

Morrisville to Barton: Looking for a ride M-F, 8 a.m. – 4 p.m. Please ref # 142254.

Hyde Park/Morrisville to Montpelier: Looking to share the commute M-F, 8:30 a.m. – 5 p.m. Please ref # 142253.

Northfield to Montpelier: Looking for ride M-F, 8:50 a.m. – 12:50 p.m. Please ref # 142255.

Morrisville/Elmore to Montpelier: Looking for ride M-F, 8 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. Please ref # 142268.

Montpelier to Burlington: Looking to share the commute, M-F, 8 a.m. – 5 p.m. Please ref # 142218.

Waitsfield to Waterbury: Looking for a ride M-F, 8 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. Please ref # 142277.

Johnson to IBM Essex: Looking for carpool M-F, 6:45 a.m. – 3:15 p.m. Please ref # 142281.

Barre to South Burlington: Looking for a ride M-F, 7:50 a.m. – 4 p.m. Please ref # 142288.

Hyde Park to Montpelier: Looking for a ride M-F, 7:30 a.m. – 4 p.m. Please ref # 142290.

Graniteville to Barre: Looking for a ride to work M-F, arriving 9:15 a.m. Please ref # 142292.

Barre to GMCR Waterbury: Looking for a ride Thurs-Fri and Sat, 5 a.m. – 5 p.m. shift. Please ref # 142294.

Montpelier to Taft Corners Williston: Looking to share the ride M-F, 8 a.m. – 5 p.m. Please ref # 142298.

Barre to Colchester: Looking to share the commute M-F, 7 a.m. – 5 p.m. Please ref # 142305.

Montpelier to Waterbury: Looking for a ride M-F, 7:30 a.m. – 4 p.m. Please ref # 142311.

Stowe to Burlington: Looking to share the commute M-F, 8 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. Please ref # 142313.

Montpelier to Williston: Looking to share the commute, M-F, 8 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. Please ref # 142315.

Barre to Cabot Hosiery Northfield: Looking to share the commute, 2nd shift, M-F. Please ref # 142317.

Orange to IBM Essex: Looking for a carpool for 8 or 12 shift. Please ref # 142324.

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CADILLAC CTS, 2004: 4-door, silver, auto, RWD, A/C, power steering/windows/locks, cruise, CD, OnStar, leather, traction control, 17,809 K. Best price, $27,899. Call Shearer Pontiac, 658-1212.

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CHEVROLET CAVALIER, 2004: Sedan, 4-door, black, 5-speed manual, A/C, CD, power steering, 17,848 K. Best price, $8881. Call Shearer Pontiac, 658-1212.

CHEVROLET IMPALA, 2005: Sedan, 4-door, beige/tan, auto, FWD, A/C, power steering/windows/locks, cruise, CD, 14,591 K. Best price, $14,888. Call Shearer Pontiac, 658-1212.

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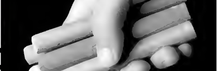

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SWF 48 YO ISO 45-50 YO M WHO IS S to have great adventures with. I love to walk, cuddle, walk on the beach. Want a LTR w/trustworthy, honest, outdoors M. 8583

SWF 44 YO, NS/ND ISO S/DM FOR COMpanionship, dinner, movies, hiking, conversation and taking the road less traveled by. 8871

I WANT IT ALL 28 YO SWF LOOKING TO meet someone who can make me laugh, smile and sweat. LTR eventually, fun for now. Looking for SWM, 28-38 YO. 8569

38 YO F LOOKING FOR 20-28 YO CULtured, exciting country boy w/all the accessories. Let's explore together, play in the mud and fall in love. 8850

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30 YO FFSWF ISO SM FOR EROTIC EXPLOration together and possible foursome. Not afraid to give refs. Call me. 8545

SWF 48 YO, NS ISO 45-50 YO SWM, NS. Looking for companionship w/possible LTR w/someone who is honest, kind, trustful, likes dancing, music, nights in and occasional nights out. Let's see what happens. 8541

LOVELY SF 58 YO, SLIM, EDUCATED FROM Europe looking for M 60-70 YO, serious, charming, pleasant, prof. for serious relationship and possible marriage. I like cooking, traveling, reading and walking. Serious offers only. 8491

WARM, EASY SMILE, INTELLIGENT, ATHletic, emotionally/financially secure, 50ish DPF seeks to meet a real gentleman w/similar qualities. Are you ready to meet a real lady? Let's talk. 8428

SWF ISO NS M FOR POSSIBLE LTR. I'M intelligent, attractive, 5'7", artistic 59 YO, who enjoys camping, flea markets, plays, movies, wine, walks, motorcycles, dining out and staying in to be close. No head games, please. 8467

ISO OPEN-MINDED MEN 18-35 YO, IN the Montpelier area for kinky fantasy fun. I want to watch my boyfriend give you oral. Leave description and age. 8446

NO MORE BAR SCENES: SWF, 52 YO, attractive, fit, free spirit, fun, enjoy many different things. Searching for SWM 48-59 YO. Attractive, emotionally available, financially stable, honest, enjoy life, simple pleasures. Are we compatible? 8444

I AM A 21 YO F LOOKING FOR SOME FUN. I am outgoing and have a great personality. If you are interested in learning a few things from and maybe teaching me some then let's meet and see what happens. 8461

PRETTY, PASSIONATE AND HAPPY. LIBERal-minded and mature 28 YO F. Love the woods, animals, hiking/backpacking, watching movies, etc. ISO affectionate, secure, socially-conscious M, 28-38 YO, NS/ND, for friendship first, possibly LTR. 8459

VT LOVIN', DOG WORSHIPPING WOOD nymph seeks like-minded mate. 34 YO, 1 dog. Have job and car. Love woods, wine and life. A handsome, thirtysomething fella comfortable in his own skin could make my day. Central/Northeast area. 8415

SWF 40 YO, 5' 7" 150 LBS, LONG HAIR, green eyes, spiritually oriented, community minded, sincere, nurturing, healthy lifestyle, creative, love making arts, the outdoors, being active, mentoring children, laughter, dancing, music, traveling, different cultures, cooking, seeking similar for LTR. 8407

38 YO SWF ISO SWM BETWEEN 27-45 YO who enjoys music, dancing, dining, movies and having fun. Someone who is caring, honest and not into head games. 8394

SEXY KINKY BEAUTIFUL BLONDE COLlege girl d.w. 27 YO, 5'5", 118 lbs, w/a smile to melt. Looking for a good-looking generous older M to spoil me. Like the finer things in life. Let me rid your stress. Love to play. 8802

SWPF 47 YO, BLONDE, GRAY, INTELLIgent and voluptuous. Loves seasons, sea shores, woods, cats, nesting, cooking, wine, movies, books, flowers. ISO S/DWM 40-65 YO w/similar likes for companionship or perhaps more. [illegible] welcome. No head games, please. 8381

SWF 48 YO, LOOKING FOR COMPANIONship and true friendship first. I am sensitive, kind and have a great spirit. Please be the same, as well as affectionate, successful and emotionally stable, 45-57 YO. NS. No games, please! 8878

52 YO FF BORN AGAIN C ISO BORN again CM 48-60 YO. I enjoy reading the Bible, walking, C music, playing word/computer games, quiet nights at home, traveling. Looking for friendship first, possibly more. No head games. Serious replies. 8377

ATTRACTIVE, AMERICAN GIRL STUDIED and loves Middle Eastern culture. Searching for tall Islamic M w/good Middle Eastern family background and good morals. I will not play games, need a good M in my life. If you're out there, please call me. 8879

51 YO LOVES NATURE WALKS, SWIMMING, theatre, movies, blues, jazz, dancing to a good band and listening to the still voice of the creator. If you like to know more, I'd like to know about you. NR/ND/NA. 8371

WPW TALL, WARM AND SWEET. LOVELY looks, a bit sophisticated, fun loving and intelligent, creative, open-minded, positive attitude. Curvy and zaftig, sensual, green eyes, dark hair. Early 50s. Great [illegible], lots of living, well-traveled adventuress. 8924

SWF 50S LOOKING FOR ANOTHER chance at sharing life, love, art, music, dancing, good food, great evenings, laughter and travel. If you are SM 50-60 YO, looking for a good time and a caring, honest relationship, call my number. 8818

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SWF 5'0 PLUS SIZE, 50 YO LOOKING for tall SWM who knows how to treat a woman. Walking, dancing, music, theater, dinners, going out or staying home, cooking, movies. 46-57 YO. NS/ND. Serious offers only. Let's enjoy the great outdoors. 7780

SWF 57 YO, IN NEED OF SOME ATTENTION and someone who loves to give it. Needing a caregiver as well as protection. Get lonesome w/no one there for me. If you can help, I can give support. 8274

SWEET, BEAUTIFUL, KIND AND CARING 53 YO woman seeking a M who enjoys his life, likes laughing, good conversation, hiking, mini adventures. 8253

DEEP CONNECTION, COMPANIONSHIP, sensuality, spirituality, passion, mutuality. Ready for LTR. Me: passionate about life, spirited, intelligent, educated, playful, warm. Interests: nature, arts, music, meditation, photography, engaging conversation. You: (Gentle) M (50-70 YO) openhearted, professional, progressive, generous. Twinkle in your eye. 8234

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WHERE DID THE TIME GO? WANT KID(S) with well-matched (adventurous, doting) partner. Me: certified frank, curious, eccentric, opinionated/lighthearted, nice, funny, moody, cute, articulate, disillusioned yet hopeful (radical left). High counterculture mélange, music lover. In VT 3rd year. 38 YO. 8202

LOOKING FOR A COMPANION FOR WALKS in the summer, also, picnics, kayaking. SF in 30s who enjoys simple things in life seeking kindhearted M who loves to laugh and enjoys his life. Montpelier area. 8376

ATTRACTIVE, YOUTHFUL, DWPF 50 YO seeks NS SWM 40-60 YO for possible LTR. If you are intelligent, attractive, fun, romantic, honest, sincere, financially secure and emotionally available, call me. I enjoy movies, the arts, cuddling and more. 8123

HAPPY, ATTRACTIVE, SMART AND SUCCESSFUL 65 YO DWF seeks humorous, secure, well-educated, positive M for witty banter and summer fun. 60-65 YO or thereabouts fine. No couch potatoes, please. Kids even better. Life's short; summer's shorter! 8101

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SWM, 50 YO, 5'10", 180 LBS, HONEST, mature, responsible, respectful, considerate, stable, kind, romantic, loving, faithful, Italian, handsome, fit mind and body, athletic, outdoorsy, clean, good cook, patient. ISO SF who's looking to fall in love. 8481

COUNTRY BOY HOPING TO ROPE A HEIFER. I'm a SWM, 52 YO, 6'5", 160 lbs., dark hair, blue eyes. Enjoy music, dancing, cards, Nascar, dining in/out. ISO country or city girl, 40-50 YO to make you happy. 8580

SWM, 41 YO LOOKING FOR F TO BE BEST friends with, to hold, cuddle and romance with. If you're looking for the same, this 6'1", about 180 lbs. romantic guy is waiting to hear from you. 8479

HI! 60 YO LOOKING FOR SOMEONE TO do stuff with. Love walks on waterfront, movies, dinner or just cuddling and chatting. I have children, looking under 60 YO. So, get back to me. Let's see what happens. What have you got to lose? 8685

SPM, 44 YO, 5'8", 180 LBS, MONTPELIER area, educated, hard worker, animal lover. ISO F who enjoys rock climbing, mountain biking, skiing, hiking, running and other outdoor adventures. I'm honest, romantic, handy and affectionate. I enjoy reading, movies, music, cooking, dancing. 8561

SWM, 30S, GOOD BUILD ISO WOMEN OF all ages for fun friends. Exotics preferred. I return all calls. 8547

WM, 36 YO, FUN, ADVENTUROUS HOTTIE seeking girlfriend(s) for hanging out, dancing, hiking, crazy fun. You: 20-30 YO, cute, NEK or Central VT. 8462

33 YO SWM. GEMINI. I LIKE INDEPENDENT woman, cooking, good food, surfing, cycling and spending the evenings outside. If you are looking for a LTR w/children in the future, I would love to talk. 8442

SWM, 40 YO, NS, LOOKING FOR NS woman 40-50 YO. Looking for average woman, a little plump OK. Hey, I'm not looking for a pin-up girl. Coffee, movie, holding hands, going for a drive. Try me. 8440

29 YO HONEST, SHY, PARTIAL MUSICIAN looking for girl w/similar qualities. Interest in books, records and wasting what little time they have left in their day a must. 8486

ARE YOU BOLD ENOUGH TO START AN adventure? SWM, 28 YO, 6'1", very attractive, fit, financially secure, seeking WF attractive, slim and healthy for possible long term. Not into the bar scene, smokers need not apply. 8491

ENJOY GREAT CONVERSATION OVER FOOD, wine? Candles, concerts, stargazing, sunflowers, hanging w/friends. Me: 3d YO SWM looking to abandon loneliness. Lean, safe, NS. ISO sensual, independent, educated woman w/similar interests and her own career. Interested? 8471

HEY! I'M SOLO. ALL THE TOYS, LOOKING for a passenger. SWM, 34 YO, 170 lbs, 5'8", brown hair, blue eyes, fit, very energetic, looking for SWF. Friends first, maybe more, someone who takes care of herself. Kids OK. 8468

DWM, 45 YO, GOOD LOOKING, FINANCIALLY secure, hardworking, enjoys life. Searching for the right lady to travel the world sharing laughter and fun times. 8467

SWM, 6'10", 200 LBS, HANDSOME, CARpenter, musician, long curly brown hair, mustache, nice home. Loves cats, nature, sports, the arts. Hates ignorance, cruelty, intolerance. Amazing life, need healthy affectionate F to share. 8448

SWM, 40 YO, FIT, TALL, SLENDER, ATTRACtive, creative, honest, healthy, sane. Walk, bike, ride, kayak, explore. Enjoy Altman, Hammett, Hellman, Zinn, 333, maestros. ISO F 40-50 YO, fit, slender, healthy, and feels good about herself. 8430

24 YO SWM ISO BEAUTIFUL F Aries 19-26 YO who is emotionally secure, extremely intelligent, not materialistic, witty and fun. Not into heavy drinking or drugs. Must like animals, kids, volleyball, guitar, snowboarding/skiing, movies and riding. Located in [illegible]. Seriously. 8428

SWM, 46, 5'9", 1[illegible] LBS, OWN HOME, Rutland, physically attractive, simple Christian lifestyle. ISO SWF 45-6[illegible] romantic relationship, dating or possible LTR, matching affection, similar interests. 8424

ZOOM, ZOOM, ZOOM! LET'S MOTORCYCLE on the roads less traveled. SPM, financially, emotionally secure, college grad, active and fit. ISO SF 35-45 YO to share meaningful conversation, fine wine, swimming, biking, scuba diving, trips to Montréal, your interests, possible LTR. 8390

ISO SWF SKINNY SKINNY-DIPPER, 30-40 YO child free, adventuresome, ethical, vegetarian/vegan, politically/environmentally concerned, into nature, simplicity, organic farming, self reliance, sailing, [illegible]/house sitting w/spiritual introspection. Me: 60 YO long-haired. Letter appreciated! 8378

VT ADVENTURER ACQUAINTED WITH THE magical hide aways. SPM, 4[illegible] YO, warm, sanguine, 6', 180 lbs. Enjoy slow walks in snow, water, pedal and be a [illegible]. 8374

ATTRACTIVE M SEEKING F INTERESTED IN day trips to the Ledges and other nude-friendly spots. Possibly more. Let's talk. 8373

FUN AND ATTRACTIVE SWM, YOUNG 43 YO, smoker, aged well. Seeks slender to average woman, 32-40 YO who enjoys the sun, water, boating, fishing, camping and is as affectionate as me. Merlot, dancing, much more. 8372

SWM, 38 YO, HANDSOME, LOOKING TO meet a nice lady between 26-42 YO for LTR. Start out as friends and then see. I am 5'7", 145 lbs, blue eyes, brown hair. 8368

OH WHERE, OH WHERE, YOU LOVE nature and the outdoors. You can't stay off your bike in the summer or the snow in the winter. Healthy lifestyle is your way. Yoga and meditation balance your day. 8501

DWM, 38 YO, ATTRACTIVE AND STRONG w/a soft side, looking for quality WF who wants happiness, honesty, affection and lots of laughter. I love wine, travel, snuggles, movies, family events, deep conversation and holding you tight. Interested? 8267

ADVENTUROUS, DOG-CENTRIC, SWM, 52 YO. Funny, literate, very accomplished world traveler. Seeks smart, happy, politically and physically active woman for long conversations, long bicycle rides, hiking, walking and listening to good music, dancing. Love, and travel (and occasional Mets games). 8262

OLDER WOMAN WANTED. 32 YO cute, in-shape MAM seeks fit/in-shape older, clean woman for no-strings fun. Let's taste the forbidden fruit. 8243

SWPM, 55 YO, STUNNING, CUNNING LINguist, gentle but firm grip on life. Passionate artist, father, fit, active/positive spirit. Willing to relocate my point of view to reflect reality, surfing summertime suits me fine, entwine my mind, like warm red wine. 8277

LONG-DISTANCE RUNNER, 5'9", 1[illegible] LBS., loves jazz, poetry, hiking, books, children, woodworking, photography, writing and folk guitar. Hope to meet a caring, warm, friendly woman for friendship and possibly more. Want to go for a run? 8272

SEARCHING FOR A HEART. DWM, LOW 40s, 6'1", 1[illegible]0 lbs., youthful, open-minded, [illegible] and adventurous. Recreational hiker, biker, boater, skier. Love music, movies and travel. Seeking someone to share laughter and fun times together. 8263

THERE ONCE WAS A DWM W/A WIT who's artistic, romantic and fit. Though his hair was receding, you'll be pleased by your meeting. He's a cross between Shrek and Brad Pitt (more limerick awaits you) 82[illegible]

MOTORCYCLER, KAYAKER, SMALL PM, 5'4", [illegible] YO, 148 lbs. ISO life partner. NS, lighthearted, sensitive, slender, fit. Be sharing/receiving, secure, independent, spontaneous, emotionally available. No workaholics. I'm family, dependable, considerate, sensitive, fit, good communicator. 82[illegible]

SWM, 32 YO, NS, BURLINGTON ARTIST and geek seeks creative individual. I am into landscape and street photography, drawing and painting. I also enjoy sci-fi, anime, [illegible], poetry and classic film. 8211

HEART OF LEO, DEPTH OF SCORPIO: NO list of "looking for" to include in this ad. Whether a one-time conversation, a new friendship or a spark that sets the world ablaze—it's all good! 8207

OH, OF PSYCHO CYBERNAUTICS ISO attractive research assistant, 30-40 YO to study dipsomania, the effects of retrospective analysis and other therapy. No cosmic muffins need apply. 8107

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SWM ASPIRING TO MEET [illegible] 45 YO + to explore interests that excite mutual sharing of ideas, conversations and sensual desires. 8178

BLUE EYED SWM. Hw/Wt PROP. 42 YO, CHURCH-going country kind of guy. In OK shape, halfway decent looks. Brown hair/eyes. Enjoys all kinds of activities, willing to try most anything once. ISO SF to spend time with and see what happens. 8173

SINGLE, HANDSOME M 28 SEEKING temporary marriage w/SF for [illegible] purpose. Housing and compensation will be provided. Serious respondents, please. 8120

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COLCHESTER SWM, 43 YO, [illegible] Looking for a lady to spend time with. You like romance, sitting by the pool, cuddling, just doing things together. Looking for a relationship that will lead to an LTR. 8104

24 YO SWM LIVING IN JOHNSON SEEK-ing F 22-40 YO for romance, fun times, possibly LTR. Me: 6'4", brown eyes and hair, outgoing, funny, likes dancing, 80s music, goofy at times. That can be you? 8100

[illegible] YO M ISO F WHO LOVES GREAT CONversation. Me: outgoing, intellectual who loves poetry. You: F who is into spirituality and reincarnation. Age is not a issue, don't mind a little weight as long as you're healthy. 8066

NOT COINCIDENTAL 40 YO TALL, GOOD-looking, self sufficient, sincere/genuine; likes all warm weather sports/activities, movies, dining, etc. Seek 42-50 YO, mental, physical connection w/very attractive, sincere, intimate F for LTR and maybe woman soul mate. 8092

SUMMERTIME APPEALING SM AVAILABLE, late 40s. Medium height, weight, build. Educated, entertaining. Free every weekend. Seeking mate/tribe F 43-54 YO, 5'5" or under for dating, courtship, whatever. Chittenden County. 8063

women > women

[illegible] 45 YO [illegible] intelligent [illegible] seeking company on the road less traveled. I need honesty, sense of humor and sense of adventure. You must be an animal lover. [illegible] and occasional drinker. Some carry-on luggage allowed. 8169

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GOODHEARTED? GOOD NATURED? GOOD in bed? 61 young [illegible] seeks F for fun and frolic. Please be cute, sweet, fun, sexy, playful and sweet. Sex first, possible LTR later (tee-hee). 8186

men > men

42 YO M LOOKING FOR OLDER TO [illegible] Very oral. Uncircumcised and uncut ok +. 8512

FOR ALL CURIOUS GUYS OUT THERE, between 18-48 YO who want the best of both worlds. Only serious need to respond. M of all races welcome. I'm ready and waiting right now. 8438

GENTLEMAN SEEKS SAME. SHARE A YURT, hike the AT, [illegible] travel. Work hard, relax often. Prefer sweat to cologne. SWM, 42 YO, lean, [illegible], fit and youthful, energetic hiker, [illegible] gardener, [illegible] similar. 8454

SWM, 45 YO, [illegible] 150 LBS. AND HIV+ Seeking another HIV+ GM or SM for relationship/friendship and fun. I am in the Burlington-area. Give me a call. 8452

GM. I WANT TO BE DEMONSTRATIVE AND my cat the male key, but I'll tell it that you'd feel let down. So I'll pen it in w/a [illegible] and continue on. In real terms, I am fun to be with and am always looking for a sense of humor in a G guy, too. Not much else to know in-so-much as I always take the time and make the effort as is. Catch my drift? Carry on. Cheers. 8444

24 YO GM, [illegible] LBS. SEEKING CUTE boys, 21-[illegible] YO for adventure. I am disease free, just keeping it real. Interested? Give me a call. Peace. 8442

NYS ATTENTION J/O [illegible]/ARTISTS! Are you a marathon M in a world of sprinters? Let me share your "sessions." Safe, clean, casual, hot! 8444

GWM, 180 LBS., 6'? 40S, ISO MEN INTO shape & pants wetting/messing and spanking. Age not important. 8428

BARELY 40. THAT'S RIGHT GUYS! GET IT while its hot! GWM, attractive, thin/fit, tanning, honest and a little wild seeks M 30-40 YO for lots of fun tonight and maybe a little more. Where be my boyfriend? 8420

NEED RELIEF? I'M YOUR M. GWM, [illegible] YO, attractive, seeking masculine, in shape, attractive guys needing oral service and more. Bi-curious college guys and MA guys a +. Burlington area and very discreet. Call me. 8408

ARE YOU A BIM OR EXPERIMENTING S who wants regular, safe, quick relief from a [illegible] M [illegible] go slow, w/friend, shy too? Maybe. Call me. Southern Addison County. 8367

ATHLETIC, FIT AND HANDSOME 42 YO seeks hottie 20s, who is mostly but not always a [illegible]. Fun to hang out with a must! And, of course, a bubble-butt makes me your slave. Give a call. You won't be disappointed. 8362

HUNKY GWMACH INTO BARS, CAMPING, fishing, outdoor activities, movies, casinos, Red Sox, Patriots. Seeking other GM for friends to hang out with, take trips, camping. Not into bar scene. 8294

40 YO, RUGGED, HARDWORKING, OUTdoors-type of guy. 5'9", good looking, well-built, seeks a hairy-chested, discreet, shower daddy out at camp. Be straight acting, in need of man-to-man contact. 8126

GM, 44 YO, LOOKING YOU HEAD TYPE, between 40-44 YO for fun, etc. Hopefully LTR. I love art, long conversation and honesty. Smoker/drinker OK. 8174

EASYGOING 44 YO SWM, 5'7", 140 LBS. Seeking a cute, fit guy, 44 YO and under for friendship and intimacy. Intelligent, fun, good-hearted a + as is a really nice body. Interests include outdoors, gardening, ocean and travel. Addison/Chittenden counties. 8171

bi seeking ?

MARRIED MALE/PROF [illegible] mid-40s, passable, very attractive, healthy, fit, discreet, intelligent, fun, cool, seeks same qualities in M or F to spend time together. I am very selective. If you have the qualities mentioned above a new world of pleasure awaits you. 8464

BIF ISO 24 YO BIM FOR DISCREET sexual encounters w/me and my M. Boating, hot tub and all around fun. Give us a call. 8460

BI-CURIOUS [illegible] YO, LOOKING FOR first time encounter w/experienced BI M. Am average/fit, you be the same. Someone serious. Show me the ropes. 8424

LOOKING FOR A HOT SWM MALE FOR DIS-creet meetings. Willing to try anything. All calls answered. I'm your man. I want to rock your world. 8409

SWM, 6'0", 180 LBS. GOOD LOOKING. Looking for G/BI M, he she for second encounter in my life. Ready for anything. Very laid back. I live alone. Call me and leave number. 8270

HOT GIRLS. HOW ABOUT BEING A SEX get for a weekend to [illegible] me and my guy. We would expect full service w/light bondage. Parties are desired and not hesitant to. 8198

SF YOUNG [illegible] ATTRACTIVE, LOOKING FOR first time encounter with BI F 18-40 YO, voluptuous, for sensual massage. 8184

SWM, 40S, GREAT SHAPE, SEEKS HOT young, cute, sexy, Bi-curious, well endowed playmate. 8178

BIM SEEKS ISO MEN 40 YO OR UNDER. I'm safe, clean, discreet. Have hot lips and am very submissive. Like to be ordered around, will do as I am told. Interested, call and leave number. Well endowed a +. 8172

WANTED: MARE, 5 OR 6 MALES FOR SAFE, very discreet, daytime encounters. Serious only, please. I am MAM, very discreet, safe. No games. 8082

just friends

SWM 40S ISO CLIMBING FRIEND/partner in the Montpelier area. I climb at Bolton, the White Rocks, Rumney [illegible]. Sport lead 5.10b and trad 5.8. Very safe climber looking to have some fun and new challenges. 8458

ENGLISH M, 41 YO AND GERMAN F, 29 YO, looking for friends only. We like movies, dinner in/out, theater, talking, wine, being outdoors, excursions, etc. What about you? Burlington-area. 8294

LOOKING FOR WOMAN 45-65 YO TO play golf and tennis. Me: SWM. All calls answered. 8276

women seeking...

24 YO MARRIED LOOKING FOR BI F FOR play and friendship. My husband enjoys watching. Only serious respond, please. 8371

TWO 20 YO BEAUTIFUL VT GIRLS WOULD like to have a summer adventure. One [illegible], one gardener, one Britton painter. Maryjane and wine anyone? Age and gender not an obstacle. Just be interesting. 8274

30 YO BI WANTS TO PLAY W/BUTCH type or tomboy. Have some experience, looking for more. Be discreet, clean and safe. Leave a message. I'll call you back. 8144

SWF, 21 YO, GIRLY-GIRL ISO 18-29 YO redneck guy w/ rugged truck for first-time mudding/off road experience. Not afraid to get dirty cause I know I clean up nice. 8170

TWO FS, 24 AND 24 YO, SEEK M LIFE guard for summer fun. Strength and endurance required. Let's have some fun in the sun. 8112

men seeking...

I AM A MYTHIC [illegible] F 20-[illegible] YO. DO you realize that you are the Goddess? Good, because I want to worship you as the Goddess that you are. Call me and enter the realm of bliss. 8547

44 YO WM ISO CLEAN SF OR F FOR AFFAIR fun. I'm 6'1", 340 lbs. Very clean and neat. Looking for a clean F. Plus-size OK. Any age. 8544

SEXY, FIT, KINKY FUN GWN WM 40 YO, ISO younger F sexy, good looking, energetic mistress lover, faithful nymph to play with. I've a little and let's good each other. Discreet, healthy, NS only. LTR possible w/chemistry. 8464

20 YO M LOOKING FOR FRIENDS W/BENE-fits. Must be attractive, under 40 YO and no heavies, please. 6', blue eyes, brown hair. Leave a number. It will be worth it. 8494

LIKE FEELING SEXY? 24 YO SWM, CUTE, outgoing, wild, seeking F who enjoys wearing heels, stockings, lingerie for modeling, adult fun, kinky pleasures. Let's have some fun. 8574

SWM, LOW 40S, WOULD LIKE TO MEET F. I'm fun, etc. Discreet, open, clean, expect same. Own own place, Burlington area. Very flexible on time. 8477

SWM, EARLY 40S, SEEKS OLDER WOMAN 55+ for erotic encounters, one or two even ago (or more ago) a week. Am educated, easy on the eyes, 5', 170 lbs, with a great sense of humor. Drummer [illegible]. Add some spice. 8566

40 YO MARRIED ATTRACTIVE, NICE BODY endowed, thick. ISO BIU seeking M for fantasy exploration and fulfillment. Must be safe, clean, discreet and in reasonable shape. I'm open to suggestions. Let's chat. 8494

BLOND M SHAVED, CLEAN AND D/D-FREE seeking 2 F, 40 YO or younger for a threesome and erotic pleasure around the Burlington area. Serious callers only, please. 8450

DON'T BE SHY! TALL, SEXY, SECURE M, late 30s, seeks cute, slim or skinny F, preferably much younger (not required) who is not adverse to hard exercise or daily physical pleasure. All calls returned. 8274

WM, 32 YO, GOOD-LOOKING, LEAN, clean, seeking 2 adventurous, sexy girls, 18-29 YO for fun. Also need swimsuit. Travel 1-hour from Montpelier-area. We meet, we like, we go. No strings, no names. Also man OK. F cute, sexy. 8258

WANTED: AMATEUR MODELS FOR THE budding photographer. Handsome, generous M interested in erotic photography. Ages 18+. Looks unimportant. Let me find the inner beauty and let's have fun doing it. 8267

MARRIED 44 YO PROFESSIONAL NICE looking, in good shape, safe, D/D free, want discreet relationship w/nice-looking F, 40-50 YO, in good shape and D/D free. Respect, fun and privacy assured. 8166

ATTRACTIVE BURLINGTON M ISO MATURE F who wants discreet, no-strings sex. Talented. Tireless. Am long-lasting and can go and go for your guaranteed pleasure. You be 40-5? YO, in-shape, clean and D/D-free. Call. 8086

44 YO M LOOKING FOR SEX IN BURLING-ton-area for the awesome. Very clean. Have own place, good looking, willing to please both. Serious replies only. 8081

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I SPY JESSE. NOTHING COULD EXPLAIN Calvin and Hobbes, but your son is come close. Have a great day! Third time's a charm. 8609

RPH; SOCCER LOR R AT 28C, WEEK OF 1/28 from Burlington. Ms. teacher in science program. We chatted outside the log cabin after breakfast. Never got a chance to exchange info. Interested in hanging out and making a new friend? 8571

I SPIED YOU ON 3/21/04 AND HAVE seen you since in [illegible]. Thetford Hill and the alpaca farm. From here on it's a new life for both of us. 851[illegible]

I SPY A SEXY PRINCESS. SAW YOU ON Church St. 1/26 [illegible] waiting for a white knight. I am your white knight. wanna go ride into the sun set w/me? 8516

DANIELLE AND RAMONA: WE MUST MEET again. I cannot rely upon chance, thus this [illegible] desperate ad. 8814

SOUTH BURLINGTON FIREFIGHTER CAPtain. I saw you again at a block party. You are gorgeous blonde w/blue eyes and freckles. I want you to put out my fire. 8573

KINKOS CUTIE. I CAME IN AND ASKED FOR help, we talked for a bit, and I didn't have the nerve [illegible] to ask if you like guys too. Hoping you do. Would love to talk about more than paper. 8472

TO THE PRETTY, PASSIONATE, LIBERAL-minded F and her [illegible]. I wish you all the happiness in the world. Thank you for such a wonderful year. How I miss you both already. I hope to see you on the other side of the earth soon. 8510

THE BEST ROOMMATE AND FRIEND A GIRL could ask for. Roley, you're the most fan-tab-u-lous person ever. Thanks for our conversations, your patience and just being there. [illegible] And I have told ya you're always right. 8568

YELLOW DOG SOMETHING OR OTHER ON Bergeron's truck. Lime Kiln Rd. 8/2. You [illegible] incredibly good-looking M. Just giving credit where credit is due. 5? Take a chance w/a call. Taken? Your partner is very lucky. 8565

TO THE CT GIRL W/STONY I DESK TIES. I bump into on occasion but not often enough. Hope you're having some good times this summer. Hope to see you soon. Your Green Mtn. [illegible] 8541

GOOD-BYE'S TOO GOOD A WORD BABE. So I'll just say fare thy well. I ain't sayin you treated me unkind, you just kinda wasted my precious time, but don't think twice. It's alright. See you in Tahoe. 8556

I SPY THE BEST FORMER ROOMMATE EVER! I miss you and VT. Hope I can get down sometime soon. Can't wait to see you in Key West. I'm so happy for you. 8562

I SPY BEAUTY CUTIE AT HIL COMMON Grounds 1/28 early evening. You w/parents and sister. I hope [illegible] Me sitting w/two friends. We locked eyes several times and parted w/a smile. Care to meet officially? 8550

I SPY I OPPETTE (THE BEST SHERPA THIS side of K2) and other Garfone & Supply co-workers rocking my Colchester triathlon experience. Thanks a gazillion for the support. Way to go, Helga. Reverend Randy, I'll tri it with you any day! 8588

WATERFRONT 1/30 1 P.M. WE ALP walked toward Boqueta. I saw you w/another woman and baby. You smiley, beautiful brunette, flowery black dress. Me dark hair, blue shirt, light beard. I wanted to talk to you. Let's meet. [illegible]

RASPUTIN'S, 1/21. YOU: BLACK DRESS shirt and tie dancing away, hopefully w/a girl "friend." Me: doing the same, plus shirt, dark hair. We caught eyes several times. Way to [illegible] in there. Let's try again. [illegible]

YOU: WET HAIR, GLASSES. YOUR WORDS mean nothing to me. I think you are a ridiculous person w/no [illegible] morals. You can go on pretending that everyone around you has the problems, but you should take a look at yourself! 8584

I SPY W/MY LITTLE EYES AN ADORABLE redhead who giggles like a little girl. From New Year's party to Toots to "going on dates," you've become my best friend. I love your guts, you no [illegible]. 8583

YOU HAD ME WHEN YOU SMILED. YOU: returning movies to Movies Gallery in Essex 1/25 around 3:00 p.m., wearing pink shirt and white skirt. Me, walking out. We smiled and I held the door for you. You're a goddess. 8581

THE FIRST TIME WE MET YOU STOLE MY queen. We accidently held hands and tangled all night. From hiking to swimming to a million movies you don't like. Thanks for caring. I love you, snuggly. 8549

I SPY FORBIDDEN FRUIT W/A HEART winning smile and soft lips. I [illegible] when I think about you. What could I offer you [illegible] can we live in this moment? 8548

I HEAR BLONDE SCOTTISH WOMAN IN Stowe who is still chasing my husband. Get a life. Try dating SM for a change. 8538

LANGDON ST. CAFE, LOUIS XIV: WHO ME [illegible] and make me call to you. An intriguing mystery amongst the green and black in my cup. Tell me more. 8422

1/25, BRONZE WOMAN BUYING CERAMIC tiles at Recycle North building supply. I was behind you in line but didn't want to interrupt your conversation with your daughter(?). Want to shop for grout together? 8490

CITY MARKET 7/28: YOU ACCIDENTALLY splashed your coffee on me and we talked about the merits of iced coffee on a hot day. I'd like to buy you a cup of java if you promise not to dump it on me. 8489

I SPY A MASTERFUL MAGICIAN SPINNING sacred geometric shapes, illuminating any midnight w/your glow. Manifolds of gratitude bloom. Rises of ecstasy burst from the garden you've planted in me. Let's celebrate stepping from our mutual dream world into the humming [illegible] living love, the dream dreaming us. 8488

WERE YOU THE HOT, SHIRTLESS BLONDE in the green truck traveling south on 89 on 1/19? I am the VT girl in the [illegible] Golf. I have what you were looking for. 8487

I SPY A BEAUTIFUL PERSON WHO HELPED me carry my groceries a few blocks to my car on a day I wasn't feeling well. Thank you! May the universe smile in your karmic direction. 8444

GIN, EMILY, COLEEN, MEGHAN, AMY, Jake, Jess and Kelly: Thanks for making my birthday the best one yet. I'm so lucky to have you sassy kittens as my friends. You rule the school of cool! 8483

PACIFIC RIM, 1/21: YOU WERE SITTING BY the window with your girlfriend (?), curly brown hair. Me: red T-shirt, dark hair. We exchanged a few glances. Would love to meet for coffee if you are single. 8482

MONTPELIER 1/27. SHORTER, DARK-haired professional woman walking along State St. w/a group of people. I smiled a little, you smiled back a lot. We were probably both just being polite, but if not, let me know. 8480

FLATBREAD, I SPY A LATIN M (PR?) crystal necklace. Wolf head belt buckle. Open shirt. Join me for drinking, surfing, painting, poetry? Gotcha. 8418

I SPY A BDF WHO LIKES TO DOMINATE women. I can't seem to get on to send you an icebreaker; consider this a wink, please. 8416

TO JUST SEE YOU SMILE, I CAN'T HELP you fix yourself, but at least I can say I tried. I'm sorry that I have to move on w/my own life. 8419

SATURDAY 1/23: JEREMY AT VERIZON Wireless. You helped my friend pick up his phone while I thought about how handsome you are. Let's have coffee. 8414

SUNDAY 1/24. I FEARED YOUR GUINEA pig might bite my finger. I wonder if you would be more kind, so I reach out to you. Spied you in Burlington riding my bike while you toted [illegible] a pet. 8413

M.K.: THE LITTLE THINGS IN LIFE ARE really the big things in disguise. Movie, candlelight and sunset kayaking are nice but we should really relax. 8412

1/23 U-MALL. TALL, LEAN WM W/SHORT red hair and marvelous arm tattoos wearing black from hat to toe. You caught my eye by the pretzels, did I catch yours? 8410

HI R, SUGAR. HOW COULD I EVER FORget? I'd just graduated the [illegible] high and you were [illegible] on your first parole. Five years and six kids later, I am legit now, baby, and just waitin for you at home w/ that thing on you that he bought me at the adult shop for Mother's Day. [illegible]

TO MY DEAR: I LOVE YOU AND TRUST what we have enough to know we'll get through trying times. Thanks for your friendship, partnership, laughter, strength, support and patience. You rock! 8490

HIGHER GROUND, ARCH ENEMY SHOW. You: guy in black T-shirt and long shorts. Me: girl in black T-shirt and long shorts. Let's be friends. 8485

I ADMITTED MYSELF INTO FLETCHER Allen Health Care on 1/21 for abdominal pain. Turned out it was appendicitis. I just want to thank everyone involved for saving my life. You all are not appreciated enough for your great work. 8481

1/15 CITY MARKET 10 P.M., SAW YOU at ATM: super tall, long dreads, [illegible]. No need to respond. Just wanted to say that you are gorgeous. 8499

1/23 GROTON: TWO BLONDE GIRLS AT store. Yes, Fort Light is a good idea. [illegible] Were you camping? I promise I'll [illegible] you a fire next time. You were driving a small black car w/new white license plates. 8483

NEW YEAR 21: 3 MONTHS WITHOUT YOU was the longest of my life. Our paths cross again for a reason. Love. Please give me another chance, you won't be disappointed. Love you always. Think of me when you sleep. 8491

EXPOS GAME 1/20: VERY CUTE FRED T shirt wearing [illegible] dad visiting w/his son. You were so good looking and seem like a great dad. Local or in NYC? I missed the game because my eyes were on you! Just curious, what's your deal? 8428

looking for action:

couples seeking...

LOOKING FOR A CM OR SF FOR FRIEND-SHIP and adult fun. Will answer all messages. We are fun, neat. Can travel or host, must plan ahead to start. 8469

MAWCU SEEKING WELL ENDOWED, mature, BiM 36-48 YO. Clean and discreet. Your place or ours. Him: [illegible] 54 YO, 228 lbs., 7". Her: 44 YO, 5'3", big breasts. Please respond. Lamoille County. Serious replies only. 8210

ATTRACTIVE FIT SENSUAL [illegible] SEEKING 50 YO + [illegible] woman [illegible] traits who might enjoy meeting for fine wining and dining and the possibility of sharing sensual activities. Healthy and [illegible] only please. Discretion assured. 8095

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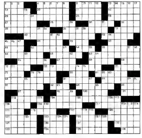
last week's answers on page 50A

ACROSS
1 Martin Sheen, to Emilio Estevez
4 Photo tint
9 Pipe part
13 TV's "The — of Life"
19 Real [illegible]
20 Bonus
21 Soccer superstar
22 Cold sound
23 Dancing president?
25 Lauded
26 Range rope
27 — a customer
28 Whip
30 Tranquil
32 —4 (Toyota model)
33 Little lumps
35 Fawning
38 Parisian pronoun
40 Dancing [illegible] soul?
43 Go Fish and golf
45 Comic DeLuise
46 Muse with a scroll
48 Command to a corgi
50 Meyerbeer's "— Huguenots"
51 Prospector's prize
52 "The Twelve —" ('70 film)
54 At once
55 Freezin season
58 Finger food
61 Tack on
63 Short story
65 Cognizant
67 In the manner of
68 Ears
69 Start to sneeze
70 Viva —
72 Dancing comic?
76 "— of Gold" ('72 hit)
77 Gray matter?
79 Northwestern st.
80 Philips of "UHF"
81 Tonto's horse
83 More disreputable
86 Dino or Long
88 Flushes
91 Percussion instrument
92 Feel awful
94 Beam
95 Make [illegible] better
97 Fish [illegible]
98 Wine vessel
100 Yu [illegible]
101 Piglet's parent
102 Hunt or Hayes
104 Dancing boxer?
108 Kid at court
109 Hailing from Hunan
111 Mention briefly
115 Aussie walker
118 Space
119 Assistance
120 Spanish [illegible]
121 "Crazy" singer
122 Widespread
126 Dancing cartoonist?
128 [illegible] of Somalia
130 Singer Phoebe
131 Entertain
132 Sour fruit
133 Novelist Danielle
134 Brontë heroine
135 Adam's locale
136 Minnesota twins?

DOWN
1 Mustard type
2 Henley setting
3 I like the "Taj Mahal"
4 Use a straw
5 Word form the "environment"
6 It may be bitter
7 "— Dixie Doo" ('33 song)
8 '92 Wimbledon winner
9 Health resort
10 — Aviv
11 Draw forth
12 Copper or cobalt
13 "Green Acres" setting
14 "Soukor —" ('63 film)
15 Dancing body-builder?
16 Wrecks the [illegible]
17 Italian wine
18 Abate
24 Seafood [illegible]
29 Coop critter
31 Pantyhose part
34 Rembrandt or Whistler
36 Word of "Sisters"
37 Wreckage
38 Reflect
39 Touch up the text
41 Journalist Jacob
42 Jeanne of "Jules and Jim"
44 Mrs. Kramden
45 Bandleader Severinsen
46 "— men — mouse?"
47 Dancing statesman?
49 Numbers pro
52 Push a product
53 Trick stick
56 Tie the knot
57 Thames town
58 Funnyman Foxx
59 Venetian [illegible]
62 Less vivid
64 Vin — CA
66 Place of fencing?
69 Enormous
71 European capital
73 Akbar's city
74 "— the Mood for Love" ('35 song)
75 — beh
76 Sprout
78 It's up in the air
79 Volcano part
80 Peruvian port
83 Keats composition
85 Dickens title start
86 Peel off
87 Move like mad
88 Self-esteem
89 Make a mammal
90 Psychologist Fowler
93 Obligation
95 TV host John
102 Merge
103 Sgt. or cpl.
104 Disney cricket
105 Margin
106 Mallard or teal
107 Suffers
108 Act like a chicken
110 Neighsayer?
112 Actress Berry
113 Synthetic textile
114 "The Highwayman" poet
116 Genuine
118 Fancy fabric
119 Hamlet's fruit
122 Come [illegible] Louie
124 On behalf of
125 Ovine female
127 Poetic monogram
129 — Buddhism



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A full time position with responsibilities that include maintaining the accounts payable system, student billing, assisting in bi-weekly payroll processing, filing and providing administrative assistant support. The Accounting Specialist works closely with staff and students. Must enjoy being around teenagers.

The candidate should have a 2-year degree in relevant field or equivalent with previous A/P and A/R experience; knowledge of personal computers, accounting and spreadsheet software and possess good communication skills. Eligible for benefits, sick and vacation time. Please submit letter of interest and resume to:

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PINE RIDGE SCHOOL

CHITTENDEN SOUTH SUPERVISORY UNION

2005-2006 Certified Positions

CHAMPLAIN VALLEY UNION HIGH SCHOOL
Special Educator/Case Manager Long Term Sub – This position will support high school students with special needs in the areas of direct and/or consultative services. Position to begin on or before August 29 through October 24, 2005. Candidate must possess or be eligible for Vermont teaching endorsement 3-82 or 3-85. If interested, please apply online to www.schoolspring.com. Questions, please call Diane Chattman at 482-7100.

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Bus Drivers – Immediate openings. Urgent need for drivers. Regular routes. Please call Ken Martin at 482-7120.

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Cafeteria Cashier – with some food prep work. Position to begin late August; hours will be approximately 7:15 am to 2 pm, M-F. Experience preferred. Contact Leo LaForce at 482-7176 or email leo@cvuhs.org.

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Send letter of interest and resumé to:
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Plainfield, VT 05667
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Openings at the Pine Ridge School

We are seeking **RESIDENTIAL INSTRUCTORS (RI)** to be responsible for the supervision of the dorms for adolescents with language-based learning disabilities and for one-on-one instructions and guidance related to the skills needed for life-long success. Ideal candidates should be knowledgeable in areas of learning disabilities, adolescent development and behavioral management techniques, and have extracurricular interests to share with the students. Residential Instructor positions include an on-campus apartment. The position and training begins on August 22, 2005. Please submit letter of interest and resume to:

Abigail Hamilton, 9505 Williston Rd., Williston, VT 05495
Phone: 802-434-6957 • FAX: at 802-434-5512
email: ahamilton@pineridgeschool.com

RN/LPN to work in Health Center of private boarding school serving adolescents with language-based learning disabilities. Join a team of nurses and mental health professionals to provide holistic health care in boarding school. Current positions available are full-time and part-time in the evenings, including alternating weekends. Strengths in independent practice and assessment necessary. Competitive wage and very flexible schedule with many breaks. Please submit letter of interest and resumé to:

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Phone: 802-434-6010 • Fax: 802-434-5512
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REMEDIAL LANGUAGE SPECIALIST to provide one-on-one explicit language tutoring to adolescents with language-based learning disabilities, according to the Orton-Gillingham approach of language skills remediation. This is a full time position. Intensive, ongoing training is provided, beginning August 22. Candidates must have a minimum of a Bachelor's degree, and will ideally have experience with Orton-Gillingham, experience teaching high school students with learning disabilities, and teacher certification. Please, no phone calls. Please submit letter of interest and resume to:

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Based in Montpelier, Vermont, this full time position is supervised by the director of Philanthropy and has no direct reports. For the detailed posting and application process, visit: http://www.nature.org/cgi-bin/nppe.pcgi/careers/natureorg/20050616113811.html Relocation assistance is not available for this position.

Application deadline: open until filled. **Requirements:** forward an original cover letter, resume and current contact information for 3 references to:

**The Nature Conservancy of Vermont
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Provide clinical supervision of nursing students in direct patient care at local long-term and acute care facilities, part-time, 12 to 19 hours per week. Coordinate with classroom instruction. Evaluate and document student performance. BSN required, MSN preferred, VT or NH license eligible, with long-term care or Med/Surg experience. For more information, email mrinker@norwich.edu. Send letter of interest and resume to: **Nursing Clinical Instructor Search-S.**

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Plan and implement the intramural sports program at Norwich University. Develop activities plan for each sport season, hire and instruct game officials for all sports, work with the intramural council in planning all activities, order equipment and supplies and supervise work study students. Weekday and some weekend hours are required. All interested applicants should send a cover letter and resume to: **Intramural Sports Director Search-S**

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The Head Teller oversees the Teller area. Ideal candidate will have excellent communication and problem-solving skills. Must be friendly, personable, and possess great attention to detail and accuracy. Previous experience with a financial institution necessary.

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Our counseling-based financial institution is seeking a team player to fill our full time Teller position. This person will be responsible for handling of member service transactions. Ideal applicant will have excellent customer service and cash handling skills, with experience in a comparable field.

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MENTAL HEALTH POSITIONS OPEN

The Mental Health Association in Essex County (NY) is seeking to fill several positions listed below. MHA is located in the Adirondack Park of the North Country, New York. Westport is located on the shore of beautiful Lake Champlain.

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Peer Specialist Peer Companions – Base will be at a local Community Center or the Westport office; all positions involve countywide travel at times. Personal experience with a disabling condition and ability to work days, nights, weekends, and holidays are necessary. HS diploma or equivalent.

Volunteer Drivers – Needed to transport individuals to appointments, etc. Mileage is currently reimbursed at $0.405 per mile.

Some positions may be temporary

Personal knowledge of the mental health system as a consumer is an asset. Clear verbal skills and ability to LISTEN are requirements. Understanding of and a commitment to the empowerment of people is a necessary prerequisite. People with disabilities strongly encouraged to apply. Submit resume, cover letter and three professional references to:

**Executive Director
Mental Health Association in Essex County, Inc.
6096 NYS Route 9N
Westport, NY 12993**

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Behavioral Interventionist – C.A.T Team

NCSS Inc is seeking a Behavioral Interventionist to work in the Collaborative Achievement Team – CAT Program This program is serving children in Franklin & Grand Isle Counties within the framework of a school system Candidates must possess strong communication skills and work as a team member in supporting challenging children to achieve success in school Candidates should have a Bachelor s or Associate s degree in the Human Services field and experience working with children This position is full time and offers benefits and a competitive salary Send resume to the address below

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Master s level licensed therapist with strong organizational & interpersonal skills needed to perform a variety of clinical and administrative tasks Work closely with crisis services in managing intake/triage process Salaried position with excellent benefits package

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Licensed and/or license eligible Master s level therapist The ideal candidate will have experience treating children adults and families Experience with DBT and group treatment desirable. Willing to consider candidates with experience with only children or adults This fee-for-service position has excellent individual earning potential and an excellent benefits package Some evening hours required Send resume and cover letter to address below

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Howard Community Servicee

A Division of the Howard Center for Human Services
102 S. Winooski Ave.
Burlington, VT 05401
www.HowardCenter.org

Specialized Community Support Workers

Provide community and home support to a creative, athletic, and engaging 17-year-old girl in Essex. She enjoys sports, Disney movies, and arts and crafts. This position is 20 hrs/wk in the afternoons. Experience working with behavioral challenges preferred. Also, provider needed to provide community and home support to a caring and engaging 17 year-old boy in Burlington. He enjoys his involvement with fire stations, construction sites and a teen group. This position is 10 hrs/wk in the afternoons. Experience working with developmentally delayed population preferred. Call Bryan Civalier (802) 859-1274 for information or email Bryanc@howardcenter.org

Support a 19-year-old man building effective coping strategies, developing independent living/social skills, and accessing recreational opportunities. Hours are during the day, M-F. Also seeking candidates for a 20-hour community-based position, working with a fun young woman to provide life skills training, recreational opportunities and job development. Days M-F. Benefits. Bachelor's degree or equivalent experience in mental health field preferred. Send resume to: Kimberly Laroche at Howard Community Services, 102 S. Winooski Avenue, Burlington, VT 05401 or email: Kimberlyl@howardcenter.org

Specialized Community Support Worker

Individual needed to provide awake overnight services to a sweet 15-year-old female high-tech medical needs. Become an integral team member working Sunday nights for 10 hours in her home. Experience with working with children with special health needs desired, but will train the right candidate. Send resume and cover letter to Stephanie Favero at Howard Community Services, 102 S. Winooski Ave., Burlington, VT 05401 or email stephanief@howardcenter.org.

Specialized Community Support Worker

Seeking a motivated person to assist a social and creative individual 15 hrs/wk. She enjoys reading, poetry and swimming. Experience with individuals with developmental disabilities and Dialectic Behavioral Therapy preferred. Valid driver's license and ability to provide reliable transportation a necessity. Send resume to Jim Hessler at Howard Community Services, 102 S. Winooski Ave., Burlington, VT 05401 or email jimhe@howardcenter.org.

Job Coach

Seeking energetic individual to provide 1:1 employment supports to multiple clients with developmental disabilities. Must have good communication and judgment skills as well as flexibility. Must have reliable transportation. Full time. Send resume and cover letter to Becky Leggett, Project Hire, 102 S. Winooski Ave., Burlington, VT 05401 or email BeckyL@howardcenter.org

All of the positions above offer training, excellent compensation, and the chance to join a supportive team.

Respite Worker

Individual needed to provide companionship, community-based life skills training and recreational opportunities for a young adult woman with a great sense of humor. She enjoys cars, typing, writing, music, movies, and shopping. Thursdays and Fridays from 8:30 – 3:30. Experience with developmental disabilities and behavioral challenges preferred. Stephanie Favero is accepting resumes on behalf of the family at Howard Community Services, 102 S. Winooski Ave., Burlington, VT 05401 or email stephanief@howardcenter.org.

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An exciting opportunity to provide community and employment support to 23-year-old man within the Burlington area. He enjoys visiting the Humane Society, taking yoga classes, volunteering and listening to music. The family is hiring a provider for twenty hrs/wk., M-F from 10am to 2pm. Excellent pay, access to a supportive team. Experience working with the developmentally delayed population preferred. Jessie Noel will be accepting calls on behalf of the family at 660-0197 or email your résumé to Jessien@howardcenter.org

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Howard Community Services has an ongoing need for caring and responsible team players to provide homes and support to persons with developmental disabilities. All positions offer excellent, tax free compensation, generous respite funds, rent, training, and the opportunity to work with a supportive team. You must live in Chittenden County. If you are interested in having a person live in your home, Contact Ber Gallagher at (802) 652-2114 for more information about these wonderful opportunities or for general information about this program.

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This is a part-time, hourly position of at least 10 hours/week. Additional hours are possible.

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COORDINATING TEACHERS Full Time

Seeking person to coordinate an early childhood team of teachers to plan and implement developmentally appropriate emergent curriculum, and to support teachers and families. Must be a creative leader, effective communicator, have strong supervisory skills and extensive experience working with children and families. Bachelors or Masters degree in Early Childhood Education or related field.

TEACHERS Full-Time and Part-Time
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THE CENTER FOR COUNSELING AND PSYCHOLOGICAL SERVICES

WASHINGTON COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH

Emergency Services Screener/Intake Clinician#612: Full-time position. Washington County Mental Health Emergency Services Team is seeking an experienced clinician to join its Mobile Crisis Unit. Individual will work with a dynamic, supportive team, providing crisis intervention services for individuals and families. Applicant must have excellent knowledge of the mental health spectrum and the dynamics of risk assessment. Good working knowledge of drug and alcohol issues is essential. Duties will also include non-emergency intake assessment for individuals seeking services within the WCMH system. Applicant must hold a Master's degree or Bachelor's degree with 2-5 years experience working in the mental health field.

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Administer day-to-day operations including greeting visitors and directing phone calls from international customers. Experience as an office administrator and a professional and courteous manner a must.

A college degree in business or a related field is preferred. Exceptional organizational skills and proficiency with various computer programs are essential.

RECEIVING AND INVENTORY

Responsible for receiving, inspection, parts picking, cycle counting, and inventory transactions in our manufacturing software. Some heavy lifting and ability to operate forklift required.

Must have prior receiving experience in a manufacturing environment, strong analytical and organizational skills, and ability to multi-task. Proficiency with computer programs is essential. A technical background and a college degree are preferred.

PRODUCTION POSITIONS

We are seeking hard-working, detail-focused technicians with mechanical aptitude to join our dynamic team in a variety of positions depending on education and experience.

Electronics • Tower Production • Assembly

NRG is the world leader in wind assessment technology. Our systems can be found in more than 100 countries. The future is bright for the flourishing $10 billion industry.

We offer a total compensation package that includes monthly cash profit sharing and comprehensive benefits (401k retirement plan, cafeteria plan and more)!

Submit application or resume and salary history to Human Resources, NRG Systems, Inc., P.O. Box 509, Hinesburg, VT 05461 or email us at hr@nrgsystems.com. **See www.nrgsystems.com for details.** No calls please.

Global leaders in wind assessment technology

GET TO WORK.

SEVEN DAYS

City of Burlington

RISK MANAGER

Human Resources Department

The City seeks an experienced, energetic professional to lead the development of its Risk Management function. This is a 20-hour per week position. Responsibilities include promoting safe working conditions for City employees, maximizing loss prevention efforts, and providing technical guidance and training to City departments. Knowledge of laws relating to occupational health and environmental safety required. Candidates must possess a BS degree in Occupational or Industrial Safety/Engineering, Environmental Science or related field, plus 2-4 years of hands-on risk management experience.

For a complete description, or to apply, visit our website at www.hrjobs.ci.burlington.vt.us or contact Human Resources at 802/865-7145. If interested, send resume, cover letter and City of Burlington application by September 7, 2005 to:

HR Dept
131 Church Street
Burlington, VT 05401

Women, minorities and persons with disabilities are highly encouraged to apply

EOE

CVAA
Champlain Valley Agency on Aging

Champlain Valley Agency on Aging, Inc., a private nonprofit United Way organization with a focus on helping people age with independence and dignity.

SEARCH REOPENED FOR DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR

to work with board of directors and management staff to plan and oversee fundraising and communication strategies for the Champlain Valley Agency on Aging serving seniors in northwestern Vermont. Applicant must be excellent communicator, have record of successful fundraising, knowledge of planned giving, ability to work with major donors, board committees, other individuals and groups interested in promoting CVAA's mission. Position may involve supervision of related programs and oversight of contracts related to marketing, public relations, communications and grant writing. Bachelors degree and 5 years experience required, Masters degree preferred. Send resume with cover letter and sample of relevant materials to:

CHAMPLAIN VALLEY AGENCY ON AGING, INC
PO BOX 158, WINOOSKI, VT 05404-0158
WWW.CVAA.ORG • EMAIL: INFO@CVAA.ORG

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MT. MANSFIELD SKI PATROL EST. 1934

Are you an advanced skier/rider?

Do you enjoy working outside? Are you ready for a challenge? Because of our mountain improvements, **Stowe Mountain Resort** is looking to fill Ski Patrol positions for the 05/06 winter season. The right candidates will be CPR/AED certified and have the desire to obtain EMT-B status. Our top priorities are to communicate with and assist injured skier/riders. If you want to be part of our team, apply today!

Please send resume and letter of interest to:

Stowe Mountain Resort – HR
5781 Mountain Road
Stowe, VT 05672
253-3541 or fax 253-3544
jobs@stowe.com

Stowe MOUNTAIN RESORT

EXCITING JOB WITH A FAST-GROWING COMPANY IN THE WINTER SPORTS INDUSTRY

Level Gloves is looking for a customer service rep to join our busy team in Stowe. Our ideal candidate is organized, enthusiastic, has strong computer and communication skills, and is willing to go the distance to provide outstanding customer service. Retail experience is a plus. Please send your resume to:

LEVEL USA
PO Box 3386, Stowe, Vt. 05672
or email bbell@levelusa.net

Mary Johnson Children's Center

offers an exciting opportunity for a qualified energetic person seeking an excellent part time position (20-25 hours):

School Age Programs Assistant: [illegible] with a Addison County supporting after school programs serving children in grades K-6. Experience, education and flexibility required. Respond by August 15 with resume and 3 references to:

Mary Johnson Children's Center
81 Water Street, Middlebury, VT 05753
or email [illegible]

The Center is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

SAINT MICHAEL'S COLLEGE

Substitute Preschool Teacher

Child Care Center

A nationally accredited early childhood program is looking for a substitute preschool teacher to work with children aged 6 weeks to 3 1/2 years. Candidates should have experience working with young children in a group setting and college-level course work in child development. Degree preferred. Excellent salary. The potential exists for this position to become regular full time.

Send resume and three written references as soon as possible to the Office of Human Resources, Saint Michael's College, Winooski Park, Colchester, VT 05439. EOE

United Way

United Way of Chittenden County

Finance Assistant

Seeking self starter to provide accounting and administrative support (including processing disbursements, receivables, payables, bank deposits, payroll, etc.) with ability to multitask and work independently in energetic and supportive environment. Expertise with Word, Excel and accounting software essential. Associate's degree and 2 years experience, or equivalent.

Please submit cover letter and resume by August 18 to
Chastie Hammach, United Way of Chittenden County
95 St. Paul St., Ste. 220, Burlington, VT 05401 or
Chastie@unitedwaycc.org EOE

CVS

Champlain Vocational Services, Inc.

You become successful the moment you start moving toward a worthwhile goal.

CVS is seeking individuals to provide inclusion supports to people with developmental disabilities in the community and at work. The following positions are available:

17.5 hours per week, Tuesday/Wednesday/Thursday
24, 29.75 and 35 hours per week, Monday through Friday

Dynamic and energetic people needed to provide supports to a variety of individuals so they can expand their horizons and attain their goals both socially and vocationally.

39 hours per week, Monday through Friday

A positive male role model is needed to assist a young man who has recently relocated to Chittenden County to make connections and become familiar with his new community.

All positions include the possibility of additional substitute hours. Benefits start at 17.5 hours and include health insurance, paid holidays and vacation time.

Please submit a letter of interest and resume to the address below.

Shared Living Opportunities

Generous tax-free stipend provided for you to support an individual in their home or yours. Various situations available. Contact Al Frugoli for further information: afrugoli@cvsvt.org or 655-0511 x108.

CVS
512 Troy Avenue, Suite 1
Colchester, VT 05446
staff@cvsvt.org

Bear Crew Wanted

Do you want to work in an exciting and dynamic company? Do you thrive in a highly creative, fast paced environment with fun and light-hearted products? Then come join our Bear Crew!

Assistant Recruiter/Scheduler

Responsible for recruiting, interviewing and scheduling seasonal employees. As an integral liaison between the Seasonal Recruiting Office and other departments, this position requires a high level of organization, attention to detail, ability to prioritize and multi-task while communicating effectively. Prior HR/staffing and scheduling experience helpful.

Pajama Designer

We need an experienced Product Designer to join our Pajama Development team. Qualified candidates will have soft goods design experience, a keen understanding of garment construction and the ability to produce professional sketches for communication throughout the design and development process.

Photo Stylist

We are in need of someone to manage and style all product photography for our catalog and web businesses. Candidate will have previous photo styling experience, a keen eye for photo composition, a great deal of resourcefulness in coming up with solutions for props and settings and above average organizational skills.

Seasonal Bear Ambassadors

Fun, creative and enthusiastic people wanted! Work up to 40 hours/week through October giving public tours and assisting our guests and visitors from all over the world. Retail sales, cash register, drama and theatre background a plus. Holidays and weekends required.

Send cover letter and resume to:
6655 Shelburne Road, Shelburne, VT 05482 fax to (802) 985-1330 or email jobs@vtbear.com. EOE

To place an employment ad
call **Michelle Brown** 865-1020 x 21

BreadLoaf
Architects
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Business Development Coordinator & Administrator

Bread Loaf Corporation, Vermont's integrated company of architects, planners, and builders is seeking a Coordinator and Administrator to support our expanding Business Development department.

Business Development Coordinator
Candidates must be enthusiastic, flexible, detail-oriented, and focused on client satisfaction. Working with Bread Loaf's sales and marketing team, the Coordinator will assist with general office duties including project file maintenance, correspondence, and reception support. Candidates should have strong computer skills in Microsoft Office products.

Business Development Administrator
Candidates must be graphics-savvy, organized and detail-oriented. The Administrator will be a member of a flexible, fast-paced, and responsive team. Assignments will include assisting in the layout and assembly of proposals, organizing public events, composing and coordinating press releases, producing displays for seminars and presentations, and website management. Practical knowledge of Quark, Microsoft Office, and Adobe software is required.

Bread Loaf is known for our friendly work environment and competitive compensation. Bread Loaf thrives on innovative ideas and excellent work. If you do too, send your cover letter and resume to:

Bread Loaf Corporation
Mary Mitiguy
1293 Route 7 South
Middlebury, Vermont 05753
Fax: (802) 388-3819
mmitiguy@breadloaf.com
Check us out at www.breadloaf.com

EMPLOYMENT

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www.bartendingschool.com

The Fairfield Inn by Marriott in Colchester, Vermont is seeking energetic employees for the following positions:

Front Desk • Housekeeping
Maintenance Helper & Houseman

Full- and part-time positions available. Please apply in person at:

84 South Park Drive
Colchester, VT 05446
(802) 655-1400

RETAIL/CAFE:
Part time person needed in our busy Shelburne store.

Please apply in person, Route 7, 802-985-2000

WEEKENDS:
Part time person needed in our Richmond store.

Please apply in person
210 East Main Street
802-434-7560

HARRINGTON'S of Vermont

Front Desk & Night Audit

P/T or F/T positions available for friendly, motivated & responsible individuals to work evenings and overnight shifts. Experience not required but prior customer service knowledge preferred.

Apply in person at 1285 Williston Rd., So. Burlington.

ALLENBROOK HOMES FOR YOUTH

Allenbrook Homes for Youth is seeking a live-in couple/family to staff a small group home for 7 teens. The program is community based with youth in public schools and involved with families and community resources. Teaching Parents will be trained extensively in the Teaching Family Model. Allenbrook offers competitive salary, benefits and a 2 bedroom apartment. BA and relevant experience preferred. Criminal record check required. Please send resume and references to:

Allenbrook Homes for Youth
102 Allen Road, South Burlington, VT 05403
or call LaConda at 802 658 1433.

Service Manager – HVAC

Schedule and manage heating system maintenance and repair work for three or four service technicians. Provide estimates and go on service jobs as needed.

Qualifications: Excellent computer and management skills, at least five years industry experience. NORA certification, CDL desirable.

We are a growing business and offer an attractive salary and benefits.

Apply by August 12 to P.O. Box 111, Colchester, VT 05446 or to phn@ecvt.net.

ENERGY CO-OP OF VERMONT

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digital engine

Digital Pre-press Company in Burlington looking for experienced technician for temp. part-time position to start immediately
(with the possibility of perm. full-time)
for various duties such as photoshop work, file output and proofing.

send resumes to:
rosel@digitalengine.net

Need to place an employment ad? Call Michelle Brown 865-1020 x 21
email michelle@sevendaysvt.com

Addison County HOME HEALTH AND HOSPICE

EOE

"There's No Place Like Home"

Community Health Nurses

An extremely rewarding nursing experience working within the community for patient homes providing them with your high quality, multi-skilled experience. An opportunity to fully know your patients. You must hold a valid VT nursing license and have a minimum of two years med-surg experience. The agency offers you a quality-of-life in both personal and professional endeavors. There is no required weekend or evening work shifts. We additionally provide you with choices of healthcare plans, dental insurance, free vision insurance, a very generous time off program, 401(k) with agency match, life insurance, STD and LTD programs.

Qualified candidates should stop by our office on Rt. 7, 2 miles north of Middlebury to fill out an application or should send resumes to:

ACHH&H Attn: Human Resources
PO Box 754, Middlebury, VT 05753
Apply directly online at www.achhh.org

Mary Johnson Children's Center

seeks applicants for a variety of positions throughout its school age programs in Addison County, including two new sites in Salisbury and Monkton as well as Middlebury, Bristol and Starksboro.

Site Director – 20-25 hours/week. Requires a combination of formal training, experience and energy.

Recreational Assistants – 15-18 hours/week. Work with great children 5-12 years old! Develop quality programs and invest in the present and future of children. Competitive rates of pay are offered. References required. Send resume and references by August 15 to:

Mary Johnson Children's Center
81 Water Street • Middlebury, VT 05753
or email schoolage@mjccvt.org

The Center is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES

Residential Home Provider
Are you a caring and dedicated person interested in becoming a developmental home provider? LCMH is seeking a home in Lamoille County for an adult man with developmental disabilities. Must be a team player and be flexible with a sense of humor. If you are interested, please contact Amy Bellavance at 888-5026. Must have reliable transportation and a clean driving record and pass a background check.

Behavioral Interventionist
Seeking developmental services behavioral interventionist to work full time with student at Johnson Elementary School. Send cover letter and resume to:

Jennifer Stratton,
LCMH, 520 Washington Highway, Morrisville, VT 05661.

Lamoille County Mental Health Services, Inc. is an equal opportunity employer and provides excellent benefits to full-time employees, including health care and a generous leave time package.

Lund Family Center is an established agency with a history of supporting strong, healthy families in an environment of teamwork, creativity and innovation. Seeking motivated and dynamic individuals with a passion for working with children and families for the following positions:

Assistant Teachers: Part time positions available at Bolton and Huntington Elementary Schools for after-school programs. Teacher will assist with developmentally appropriate activities for children ages 5-10. Position requires enthusiasm, good communication skills, flexibility and at least two years experience working with school-aged children required. Competitive wages.

Please submit cover letters and resumes to:

Jamie Tourangeau
Human Resources
Lund Family Center
76 Glen Road
Burlington, VT 05401
Fax: 802-861-6460

Lund Family Center

No phone calls, please.

After School Staff

BOYS & GIRLS CLUB OF BURLINGTON

After School Program Director needed for school year. 40 hour per week competitive pay includes a great benefits package. Must have a BA in education or related field.

After School program staff needed for three different locations working with youth in grades K-3 or 4-8.

Send a cover letter and a resume to:

Boys & Girls Club of Burlington c/o Shannon Dixon
62 Oak Street, Burlington VT 05401
or sdixon@bandgclub.org

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JOHNSON STATE COLLEGE

Johnson State College's **Learning Resource Center** is seeking a part-time **Writing Specialist** to tutor undergraduate students seeking to improve their writing skills. Applicants must have a Master's degree in English or other related discipline. Tutoring and/or editing experience is helpful. Please submit a resume and cover letter to:

Michele Hadley, Learning Resource Center Coordinator, Johnson State College, 337 College Hill, Johnson VT 05656 or hadleym@jsc.vsc.edu

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Retail Counter Help

Klinger's is looking for part time retail counter help. The position is 10am - 3pm Monday through Thursday, with some possible Saturday coverage. Our ideal candidate is looking for a long-term commitment. We are looking for a reliable and hard-working team player for our fast paced bakery/cafe. Come in and check out our friendly and outgoing atmosphere, as well as our artisan breads and fine pastries! Send resume or fill out an application at:

10 Farrell Street
South Burlington, VT 05403
or fax to 802-860-1062, attn Noel

Lamoille Housing Partnership, Inc.
PO Box 637 [illegible] Morrisville VT 05661

Executive Director

Lamoille Housing [illegible] leader for non-profit [illegible] supervises staff of five. Oversee [illegible] housing property management [illegible] excellent communication and [illegible] skills. Bachelor's degree and/or extensive nonprofit [illegible] in housing development experience required. Send resume and letter of interest by August 31.

LHP Executive Search Committee
PO Box 637
Morrisville VT 05661

Applications accepted until position is filled. EOE

A Job to Smile About

Join our team of professional school photographers. LIFETOUCH NATIONAL SCHOOL STUDIOS, INC., is the nation's number one school photography company. Immediate openings available. No experience is necessary. All you need is dependability, flexibility, a knack for working with children and your own car. The ability to lift photography equipment is essential. Paid training, salary plus expenses.
1-800-639-9101 9:00-3:00.

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MUNSON EARTH MOVING

We are currently seeking skilled applicants to join our team for the following positions for work on 2 year projects in Burlington and the Greater Chittenden County:

- Laborers
- Equipment Operators
- Pipelayers
- Foreman
- Truck Drivers

We offer competitive wage and an excellent benefits package including medical, dental, life and disability insurance, 401K savings plan with employer contribution and the opportunity for growth and advancement. Apply in person or send resume to:

85 Shunpike Road, Williston, VT 05495

MEMC is an Equal Opportunity Employer. Women and minorities encouraged to apply

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Cooking for Life Coordinator

Statewide nonprofit seeks Cooking for Life Coordinator to expand nutrition and cooking education program services to organizations serving youth.

BS degree, nutrition or health education background and excellent communication skills required. Community organizing & facilitation experience a must. Resume by Friday August 19th to:

VT Campaign to End Childhood Hunger
180 Flynn Avenue
Burlington, VT 05401
www.vtnohunger.org

VERMONT TENT COMPANY

New England's premier special event company is seeking hard working, enthusiastic individuals to join our team. We are currently accepting applications for the following seasonal positions:

- **Tent Installers**
- **Warehouse Labor**
- **Delivery**

Full & part-time positions available through mid November.

To schedule an interview call
(802) 864-1080 or email resume to jobs@vttent.com

VERMONT TENT COMPANY

BEST WESTERN Windjammer Inn AND CONFERENCE CENTER

HOST POSITION

Part time, night & weekend hours, immediate opening. Must be able to work in a fast paced environment, handle multiple tasks & enjoy working with the public. Apply in person or send your resume to:

The Windjammer Hospitality Group
1076 Williston Road
South Burlington, VT 05403
or email resume to Selma@windjammergroup.com.

The Baird Center for Children and Families

A Division of the Howard Center for Human Services

BEHAVIOR INTERVENTIONIST INCLUSION PROGRAM

We are seeking a skilled and motivated individual to join our team of professionals. Interventionists develop therapeutic, mentoring relationships with students struggling to find success in public school due to academic, social-emotional and behavioral challenges. This position requires individuals to be comfortable with the management of aggressive behavior. Position is full time, year-round starting in August. The annual salary is $25,500 plus full benefits. B.A. required.

Submit your resume and three references to:

Lindsey Gerdeman
The Baird Center
1138 Pine Street
Burlington VT 05401

EOE/TTY. Individuals with disabilities encouraged to apply.

Isn't it about time you loved your job?

We're looking for more than just a salesperson...

Now hiring for full & part-time.

Management opportunities are available in the future. If you are energetic, outgoing, and motivated... we want you! Drop off your resume today! (Please apply again)

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61-63 Church Street
Burlington, VT 05401

Warehouse

seasonal positions

Rossignol Ski Company is seeking motivated, high-energy individuals for 2-7 month full-time seasonal positions on our warehouse team starting in August.

ROSSIGNOL

To apply
stop by our building
426 Industrial Avenue in Williston
to complete an application.

EMPLOYMENT

Exciting new restaurant in Colchester seeks experienced restaurant help at **front of house positions**

If you take pride in what you do and you want to have fun at work call us at
T Bones Restaurant and Bar
802-654-8008

MDS COORDINATOR

Seeking a Nurse with good knowledge base of the MDS process. For more information, please call:

Anita Mason RN/DNS at
802-524-3498

Redstone Villa
7 Forest Hill Drive
St. Albans VT

La Villa
Bistro & Pizzeria

WAITSTAFF, BARTENDER, LINE COOK & PIZZA COOK

Full-time or part-time, flexible hours, competitive pay, positive work environment.

Call Jill or Adam at 985-2596.

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ISLAND GRILL

WAITSTAFF & LINE COOK, full and part-time. Must be flexible. Experience necessary. Stop by and fill out an application.

213 College Street, Burlington, 865-2800

Burlington Children's Space is hiring!

Do you like to sleep late? Do you have experience working with high-energy preschoolers? This is the job for you!

We are looking for a part-time preschool classroom aide. The hours are 12-5:30pm Monday through Friday. Come join us and work with a fun and talented team of early childhood professionals in a fast-paced multi-age classroom. Pay is $7.95-$8.95 depending on experience. Position includes paid vacation time and prorated benefits! Interested? Contact Erinn Simon at ngreene@burlingtonchildrensspace.org or 658-1500 ext 12.

Also seeking reliable subs. Position open until filled but don't wait because we're great! EOE

OFFICE / MARKETING ADMINISTRATOR

Seeking a self-motivated, intelligent and organized individual who can handle various projects. Must have excellent communication skills, ability to manage a variety of administrative and computer-related tasks and coordinate marketing responsibilities. If you are people-oriented, have a stable work history and at least 2 years office management experience you may be qualified to manage our fast paced office environment.

Benefits include: meal discounts, vacation, 401K and health insurance.

Send qualifications to:
Reel Hospitality
2517 Shelburne Rd., Shelburne, VT
Email resume to: ebrunzell@steakseafood.com
or fax to: (802) 985-1074

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BREAD PACKING POSITION

"Who will help me pack the bread?" asked the Little Red Hen.

"I will!" said the night owl.

If you are an organized, self motivated, nocturnal individual interested in joining a rollicking fun team, you should consider this! This is a 30-hour per week position with good pay and benefits.

Contact Randy at 802-244-0966 or randy@redhenbaking.com.

Christophe's on the Green

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3-4 evenings/week
excellent pay
Upscale French

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Work full or part time with infants, toddlers, preschoolers and school agers. Get a health club membership for free!

Essex - 879-7734 x131 (Caryl)
So. Burlington - 658-0080 (Kim)
Williston - 864-5351 (Kelli)

Westview Employment Counselor/Job Developer

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Part-time position working in a vocational program for adults recovering from mental illness, developing job opportunities, assessing work readiness and supporting their vocational and educational needs. Bachelor's degree required. Human services experience, a valid Vermont driver's license, registered vehicle and knowledge of community resources preferred.

Submit resumes to:

Merlene Williamson
Howard Center for Human Services
300 Flynn Avenue
Burlington, VT 05401

COTS
PO Box 1616
Burlington, VT
05402
www.cotsonline.org

The Committee on Temporary Shelter (COTS) seeks talented professionals for the following leadership positions:

PROGRAM DIRECTOR

Provide clinical expertise and leadership to our managers, coordinate planning and evaluation for our shelter, social service and housing programs, and function as liaison with our nonprofit partners. Master's degree preferred. 3 to 5 years experience in related field as a professional with excellent administrative and planning skills. Send cover letter and resume by Aug 26th to:

Rita Markley
COTS
PO Box 1616
Burlington VT 05402-1616

FAMILY SHELTER COORDINATOR

Manage the operations and programming at our two family shelters. Must be able to create and implement new programs and provide supervision and direction to the shelter staff. This job requires excellent communication and time management skills. 3 to 5 years experience. MSW preferred. Send cover letter and resume by August 12th to:

Helen Ostjen
(ostjen@cotsonline.org)
COTS
PO Box 1616
Burlington VT 05402-1616

EOE. No phone calls please.

A J'S SKI AND SPORTS IS HIRING!

Internet Sales Position

We need an experienced and motivated person to head up our newly expanded website and internet sales department. Applicant must be able to update and maintain our web page and possess solid computer skills. Position is 30-40 hours/week. Knowledge of ski/snowboard and sporting goods equipment a plus.

Soft Goods Sales Position

Sales of outdoor clothing, footwear and accessories. Experience working in a retail store and great customer service skills a plus.

Assistant Retail Manager

Full-time position selling outdoor clothing, skis, snowboards and footwear. Applicant must have previous retail sales/management experience. Position includes overseeing the daily operation of our store and working directly with customers and the general manager. Availability on weekends a must.

Resumes should be sent to A J's Ski and Sports, PO Box 1545, Stowe, VT 05672 Attn: Luke or call 802-253-4593.

7D CLASSIFIEDEMPLOYMENT

FRONT DESK CLERKS needed.

Full time, part time, flexible hours. Apply in person at:

Shelburne Econo Lodge
3164 Shelburne Road
Shelburne 05482

Econo Lodge

SAKURA

Part and full-time weekends and weekdays

ALL POSITIONS

(references required)

Apply in person at Sakura Church St., Burlington

Moon Studio Day Spa

is seeking a dynamic Desk Coordinator with computer skills including Quick Books. Must be organized and have a great attitude!

Call 802 985 9949 or drop off a resume.

GET WELL

CLINICAL ASSISTANT

Multi-disciplinary clinic seeking experienced and versatile to assist physicians with clinical and clerical duties. Interest in nutrition and fitness a plus. Good computer skills required. Prefer ATC, MA, EMT or LPN but will consider other health-related backgrounds.

Fax resume to: (802) 860-4396

Weekend Cook

Weekend cook for [illegible] cooked noon meal with planned menu, 30 to 40 people, out by 2:00.

Call 985-2472 or come in for job description and application.

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RN/LPN

Full-time day and night positions available

Small, skilled nursing center with team approach. Very competitive wages and excellent benefits. For more information, please call:

Anita Mason, RN/DNS at
802-524-3498

Redstone Villa
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St. Albans, VT

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1-802-288-8117

GRADUATE OPPORTUNITIES IN AUTISM TRAINING

The Higher Education Collaborative, a partnership between UVM, Vermont State Colleges and the Vermont Department of Education, along with Washington County Mental Health, is developing two unique programs focused on the study of individuals with autism.

The first program is a school-focused course sequence that can lead to an M.Ed/CAGS with a focus on school-based strategies to address autism spectrum disorders. Contact:

Joy Wilcox at 802-828-3161 or queenjaw@aol.com.

The second program will overlap with the autism sequence above, and lead to an M.Ed/CAGS and prepare participants for National Behavior Analyst Certification. This program will focus on children and youth in human service and school settings. Contact:

Michael Curtis at 802-476-1480 or michaelc@wcmhs.org

Both programs will start in fall '05 in locations to be determined.

AmeriCorps Position HomeShare Vermont

A great service opportunity to help elders and persons with disabilities to remain living independently is now available with **HomeShare Vermont.** We are looking for an **INTAKE/OUTREACH ASSISTANT** starting the end of September and running through August 2006. This position will help with outreach, program evaluation, training volunteers and organizing a national home-sharing conference. This full time position requires a BA or comparable life and work experience, and strong computer and writing skills. Benefits include $11,900 living allowance, $4725 education award and health insurance. Contact:

HomeShare Vermont
for an application
packet at 863-5625
or at home@sover.net.

HomeShare VERMONT

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DO SOMETHING DIFFERENT THIS YEAR

VERMONT COMMUNITY STEWARDSHIP PROGRAM

Full & half-time AmeriCorps service positions available with nonprofit affordable housing & land conservation organizations throughout Vermont including Burlington, Montpelier, Barre, Middlebury, Morrisville, Waterbury & West Rutland. Commitment from 9/28/05 to 8/30/06. $11,900 stipend, $4,725 education award, health benefits, & diverse training opportunities. For more information or an application call 802-828-3253 or email dean@vhcb.org

Check out our website at
www.vhcb.org/vcsp.html

The Vermont Community Stewardship Program is a project of the Vermont Housing and Conservation Board

149 State St., Montpelier, VT 05602

EOE

Vermont Housing & Conservation Board

And you think your job stinks?

To place an employment ad
call **Michelle Brown** 865-1020 x 21

Technical Sales Engineer

Flow metering products

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